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Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the

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on

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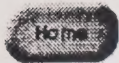
Chairman: Bob Speller, Lib.

Meeting No. 1

Thursday, October 30, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chairman



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

(Meeting No. 1)

Thursday, October 30, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 9:12 o'clock a.m., this day, in room 306, West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair pursuant to Standing Order 106(1).

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Scott Brison, Sarmite Bulte, Raymonde Folco, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Peter Berg and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

The Clerk of the Sub-Committee presided over the election of the Chair.

On motion of Julian Reed, it was agreed, - That Bob Speller do take the Chair of this Sub-Committee.

The Chair referred to the motion of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade of Thursday, October 23, 1997 concerning a study on the Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI).

On the matter of witnesses to appear before the Sub-Committee, it was agreed, - That as many witnesses be called as is possible and that the Chair be permitted to group witnesses as deemed necessary.

On motion of Sarmite Bulte, it was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee engage the services of Christopher J. Maule as a research advisor to assist the Sub-Committee in its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI); - that the period of the contract be from November 3 to December 12, 1997; - that the contract not exceed \$15,000 based on a rate of \$600 per day; and that the Chair report to the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure requesting the authorization of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development.

It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee also seek funds in the amount of \$10,000 for possible witness travel expenses in relation to its study of the MAI.

At 9:44 o'clock a.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, November 4, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

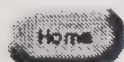
APPEARING:

Hon. Sergio Marchi, Minister of International Trade.

WITNESS:

Multilateral Agreement on Investment:

Bill Dymond, Chief Negotiator.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

(Meeting No. 2)

Tuesday, November 4, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met in a televised session at 3:22 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Scott Brison, Sarmite Bulte, Raymonde Folco, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Other members present: Bill Graham and Aileen Carroll.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Peter Berg and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Appearing: The Honourable Sergio Marchi, Minister of International Trade.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade : William Dymond, MAI, Chief Negotiator.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4) the Sub-Committee commenced its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The Minister made an opening statement and with William Dymond, answered questions.

At 4:56 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 3

Wednesday, November 5, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

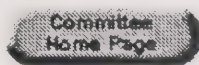
WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

William Dymond, Multicultural Agreement on Investment Chief Negotiator.

Department of Industry:

Robert Ready, Acting Director, International Investment and Services Policy.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

(Meeting No. 3)

Wednesday, November 5, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:33 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 269, West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Scott Brison, Sarmite Bulte, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and Daniel Shaw, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade : William Dymond, MAI, Chief Negotiator; From Industry Canada : Robert Ready, Assistant Director, International Investment and Services Policy.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

William Dymond made an opening statement and, with Robert Ready, answered questions.

It was agreed, – That a press release be put out to inform the public on the Sub-Committee's work.

At 5:26 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

GEORGES ETOKA
Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 4

Thursday, November 6, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

WITNESSES:

Canadian Labour Congress:

Andrew Jackson, Senior Economist;

Bob White, President.

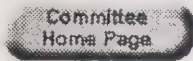
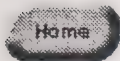
Canadian Council for International Business:

Milos Barutciski;

Douglas Gregory, Senior Adviser, International Trade and Investment, IBM Canada Ltd;

David Hecnar;

Bob Keyes, President and Senior Vice-President (International) of Canadian Chamber of Commerce.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

(Meeting No. 4)

Thursday, November 6, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:43 o'clock p.m., this day, in room 308, West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Robert Nault, Julian Reed and Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting members present: Aileen Carroll for Sarmite Bulte, George Baker for Raymonde Folco, Rey Pagtakhan for Julian Reed and Gary Lunn for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and Daniel Shaw, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Labour Congress: Bob White, President; Andrew Jackson, Assistant Director, Senior Economist; From the Canadian Council for International Business: Bob Keyes, Senior Vice-President (International) Canadian Chamber of Commerce; Douglas Gregory, Senior Advisor, International Trade and Investment, IBM Canada Limited; Milos Barutciski, Partner, Davies, Ward and Beck; David Hecnar.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

Bob White, Bob Keyes and David Hecnar made opening statements and, with Douglas Gregory, Andrew Jackson and Milos Barutciski, answered questions.

At 17:38 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 5

Monday, November 17, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

WITNESSES:

Carleton University:

Michael Hart, Professor, Centre for Trade Policy and Law.

Council of Canadians:

Maude Barlow, National Volunteer Chairperson.

Polaris Institute:

Tony Clarke.

University of Toronto:

Alan Rugman, Professor.

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(Meeting No. 5)

Monday, November 17, 1997_

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:28 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 253-D, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Robert Nault, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Gary Lunn for Charlie Penson

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Peter Berg, and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the University of Toronto; Alan Rugman, Professor; From the Council of Canadians; Maude Barlow, National Volunteer Chairperson; From the Polaris Institute; Tony Clarke; From the Centre for Trade Policy and Law; Michael Hart, Professor, Carleton University.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:34 o'clock p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:41 o'clock p.m., the sitting resumed in camera.

The Committee considered matters related to future meetings.

At 5:52 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 6

Tuesday, November 18, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

WITNESSES:

Appleton and Associates:

Barry Appleton, Partner.

Canadian Pulp and Paper Association:

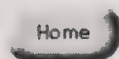
Steven Stinson, Director, Finance and Business Issues.

Mining Association of Canada:

George Miller, President.

Sierra Club of Canada:

Robin Round, Coalition Coordinator, Halifax Initiative.



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(Meeting No. 6)

Tuesday, November 18, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:30 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Scott Brison, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Bryan Wilfert for Sarmite Bulte; Ovid Jackson for Robert Nault; Bill Graham for Raymonde Folco.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Peter Berg and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the Sierra Club; Robin Round, Coalition Coordinator for the Halifax Initiative; From the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association; Steven Stinson, Director, Finance and Business Issues; From Appleton and Associates; Barry Appleton, Partner; From the Mining Association of Canada; George Miller, President.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:06 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 7

Thursday, November 20, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

WITNESSES:

Alliance of Cinema, Television and Radio Artists:

Sandy Crawley, President.

Association of Canadian Publishers:

Jack Stoddart, President.

Canadian Conference of the Arts:

Keith Kelly, National Director.

Canadian Film and Television Production Association:

Guy Mayson, Senior Vice-President of Operations.

Cultural Industries SAGIT:

Peter Lyman, Cultural Interests Representative.

Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers of Canada:

François Cousineau, Past President;

Bill Henderson, President;

Alexander Mair, Vice-President;

Paul Spurgeon, General Counsel.

“Université Laval”:

Ivan Bernier, Professor.

Writers’ Union of Canada:

Merilyn Simonds, Second Vice-Chair.

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(Meeting No. 7)

Thursday, November 20, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:25 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 253-D, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Scott Brison, Sarmite Bulte, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: John McKay for Robert Nault, Suzanne Tremblay for Benoît Sauvageau.

Other Members present: Bill Graham, Wendy Lill, John Bryden

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Conference on the Arts; Keith Kelly, National Director; From Laval University; Ivan Bernier, Professor; From the Nordicity Group; Peter Lyman, Cultural SAGIT; From Alliance of Cinema, Television and Radio Artists; Sandy Crawley, President; From the Association of Canadian Publishers; Jack Stoddart, President; From the Canadian Film and Television Production Association; Guy Mayson, Senior Vice-President of Operations; From the Canadian Magazine Publishers Association; Terry Malden, Executive Vice-President, MacLean Hunter; From the Society of Composers Authors and Music Publishers of Canada; Bill Henderson, President, Alexander Mair, Vice-President, François Cousineau, Past President and Paul Spurgeon, General Counsel; From the Writers Union of Canada; Merilyn Simonds.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 7:15 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No.8

Monday, November 24, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

WITNESSES:

Canadian Environmental Law Association:

Michelle Swenarchuk, Executive Director.

Canadian Institute of International Affairs:

Alan Sullivan, President and CEO.

Concordia University College of Alberta:

Elizabeth Smythe, Professor, Faculty of Political Science.

University of Toronto:

Robert Howse, Professor, Faculty of Law.

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(Meeting No. 8)

Monday, November 24, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:20 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 253-D, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: John McKay for Sarmite Bulte.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the Concordia University College of Alberta: Elizabeth Smythe, Professor; From the University of Toronto: Robert Howse, Professor; From the Canadian Institute of International Affairs: Allan Sullivan, President and CEO; From Thomas and Davis: Serge Frechette; From the Canadian Environmental Law Association: Michelle Swenarchuk, Executive Director.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:39 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, November 25, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

WITNESSES:

Business Council on National Issues:

Stuart Carre, Senior Associate of Global Trade and Investment.

Canadian Federation of Agriculture:

Don Knoerr, Trade Representative.

Citizens Concerned About Free Trade:

David Orchard, Chair;

Marjaleena Repo, Representative.

Information and Technology Association of Canada:

Douglas Gregory, Representative;

Norine Heselton, Vice-President, Policy, Information and Technology.

Individual Presentation:

Paul Hellyer.

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(Meeting No. 9)

Tuesday, November 25, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:20 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 237-C, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Sarmite Bulte, Raymonde Folco, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Other Member present: Bill Graham

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Research Officer; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the Business Council on National Issues: Stuart Carre, Senior Associate on Global Trade and Investment; From the Canadian Federation of Agriculture: Don Knoerr, Trade Representative, Jennifer Higginson, Policy Analyst; From the Information and Technology Association of Canada: Norine Heselton, Vice-President, Policy, Douglas Gregory, Senior Advisor, IBM Canada, Ltd.; From the Citizens Concerned About Free Trade: David Orchard, Representative, Marjaleena Repo, National Organizer; Individual: Hon. Paul Hellyer, P.C.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:30 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

RICHARD RUMAS

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 10

Wednesday, November 26, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

WITNESSES:

Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives-British Columbia:

Marjorie Griffin-Cohen, Chair.

Citizens for Public Justice:

Andrew Brouwer, Communications Director;

Harry Kits, Executive Director.

Consumers Association of Canada:

Marnie McCall, Executive Director.

Fraser Institute:

Owen Lippert.

Government of British Columbia:

Noel Schacter, Director, International Branch, Ministry of Employment and Investment;
Ian Waddell, Member of the Legislative Assembly.

International Environmental Law and Policy:

Howard Mann.

Legislative Assembly of British Columbia:

Gordon Wilson, Member.

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(Meeting No. 10)

Wednesday, November 26, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:22 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 308 West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Scott Brison, Sarmite Bulte, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Other Members present: John Reynolds, Randy White

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officer, Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the Consumers Association of Canada: Marnie McCall, Executive Director; From the Citizens for Public Justice: Harry Kits, Executive Director, Andrew Brouwer, Communications Director; From Simon Fraser University: Marjorie Griffin-Cohen, Chair, Canadian Centre for Policy Alternative-B.C.; From the Fraser Institute: Owen Lippert; From the British Columbia Legislature: Gordon Wilson, MLA, From International Environmental Law and Policy: Howard Mann, From the Government of British Columbia: Ian Waddell, MLA; Noel Schacter, Director, International Branch, Ministry of Employment and Investment.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 6:02 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 11

Thursday, November 27, 1997

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

William Dymond, Chief Negotiator, Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI);

Blair Hankey, Associate General Counsel, Trade Law Division.

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(Meeting No. 11)

Thursday, November 27, 1997_

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:21 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 253-D, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Scott Brison, Sarmite Bulte, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Peter Berg and Gerald Schmitz, Research Office; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: William Dymond, Chief Negotiator, MAI, Blair Hankey, Associate General Counsel, Trade Law Division.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The witnesses answered questions.

At 5:18 o'clock p.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 5:22 o'clock p.m. the sitting resumed in camera.

The Committee considered matters related to future meetings.

At 5:38 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Monday, December 1, 1997

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(Meeting No. 12)

Monday, December 1, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met in camera at 4:22 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 306 West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Scott Brison, Sarmite Bulte, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: John McKay for Raymonde Folco, Maud Debien for Benoît Sauvageau.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Peter Berg and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The Sub-Committee considered a draft report to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade on its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment

At 5:18 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 13

Tuesday, December 2, 1997

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(Meeting No. 13)

Tuesday, December 2, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met in camera at 3:20 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 306 West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Scott Brison, Sarmite Bulte, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller

Acting Members present: Carolyn Bennett for Raymonde Folco, Bill Graham for Carolyn Bennett.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Peter Berg and Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The Sub-Committee resumed consideration of its draft report.

At 4:09 o'clock p.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 4:56 o'clock p.m. the sitting resumed.

The Sub-Committee resumed consideration of its draft report.

At 5:59 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met in camera at 3:22 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 306 West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller

Acting Members present: John O'Reilly for Raymonde Folco, Bill Graham for Sarmite Bulte.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Research Officer; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The Sub-Committee resumed consideration of its draft report.

At 5:26 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

RICHARD RUMAS

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(Meeting No. 15)

Monday, December 8, 1997

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met in camera at 10:15 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 306 West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: William Blaikie, Sarmite Bulte, Raymonde Folco, Robert Nault, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Mark Muise for Scott Brison and Gary Lunn for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Peter Berg, Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers; Dr. Christopher Maule, Consultant.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of October 23, 1997 – Meeting No. 4), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of the Multilateral Agreement on Investment.

The Sub-Committee resumed consideration of its draft report.

The Chair was authorized to coordinate technical, typographical, stylistic, translation or editing changes to the Report.

It was agreed, on division; that the draft report, as amended, be adopted.

It was agreed, on division; that the draft report as amended and adopted be presented by the Chair to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

At 12:16 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met *in camera* at 3:09 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Raymonde Folco, Robert Nault, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Gurbax Malhi for Sarmite Bulte.

Other Members present: André Bachand and Bill Graham

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw and Daniel Dupras, Research Officers.

The Sub-Committee considered future business.

At 3:29 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 17

Tuesday, April 21, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade, the Sub-Committee commenced its study on future negotiations of the World Trade Organization

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Claude Carrière, Director, Tariffs and Markets Access Division;

Jonathan Fried, Assistant Deputy Minister, Trade and Economic Policy.

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(Meeting No. 17)

Tuesday, April 21, 1998

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:29 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 705, Promenade Building, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: André Bachard, Sarmite Bulte, Raymonde Folco, Robert Nault, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau and Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Dupras, Research Officer

Witnesses: From Foreign Affairs And International Trade: Jonathan Fried, Assistant Deputy Minister, Trade and Economic Policy, Claude Carrière, Director, Tariffs and Market Access Division.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of Proceedings of February 26, 1998 – Meeting No. 35), the Sub-Committee commenced its study on future negotiations of the World Trade International Organization.

Jonathan Fried made an opening statement and with the other witness answered questions.

At 4:50 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 18

Tuesday, May 5, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on future negotiations of the World Trade International Organization

WITNESS:

Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food:

Mike Gifford, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Market and Industry Services Branch.

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(Meeting No. 18)

Tuesday, May 5, 1998

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:34 o'clock p.m., this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Raymonde Folco, Julian Reed and Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Dupras, Research Officer

Witnesses: From Agriculture and Agri-Food: Mike Gifford, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Market and Industry Services Branch.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade (See Minutes of Proceedings of February 26, 1998 – Meeting No. 35), the Sub-Committee commenced its study on future negotiations of the World Trade International Organization.

The witness made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:58 o'clock p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 19

Tuesday, June 9, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on future negotiations of the World Trade Organization

WITNESSES:

Industry Canada:

Robert Ready, Acting Director, International Investment and Services Policy Directorate;

Vincent Sacchetti, Senior Policy Analyst, International Investment and Services Policy.

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Meeting No. 19

Tuesday, June 9, 1998

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 4:28 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Raymonde Folco, Julian Reed, Charlie Penson, Julian Reed, Benoît Sauvageau and Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw and Daniel Dupras, Research Officers.

Pursuant to its Order of Reference from the Standing Committee on Foreign Affair and International Trade (See Minutes of Proceedings of February 26, 1998 - Meeting No. 35), the Sub-Committee resumed its study on future negotiations of the World Trade International Organization.

Witnesses: From the Industry Canada: Robert Ready, Acting Director, International and Services Policy Directorate; Vincent Sacchetti, Senior Analyst, International Investment and Services Policy.

Robert Ready made an opening statement and with the other witness answered questions.

At 5:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Rumas

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Tuesday, November 24, 1998

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met *in camera* at 3:35 p.m. o'clock this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Charlie Penson, Benoît Sauvageau.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerry Schmitz and Daniel Dupras, Research Officers.

The Sub-Committee considered future business.

It was the consensus of Members present, --That the Chair consult with the Chair of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade on the schedule of hearings on WTO negotiations.

Members also discussed possible hearings on:

- WTO and Culture Review of Cultural SAGIT Report
- OECD Anti-Corruption Convention
- Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA)
- Review of the Export Development Consultant's Report due in the Spring 1999.
- European Free Trade Agreement (EFTA)
- Softwood Lumber Agreement with United States

At 4:02 p.m. o'clock, the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 21

Tuesday, December 1, 1998

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on the OECD anti-corruption convention

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Alan Kessel, Director, United Nations, Criminal and Treaty Law Division;
Keith M. Morrill, Deputy Director, Criminal Law Privilege and Immunities Section;
Marie-Josée Rhéaume, Desk Officer.

Department of Justice:

Douglas Breithaupt, Counsel, Criminal Law Policy Section;
Yvan Roy, Senior General Counsel, Criminal Law Policy Section.

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Meeting No. 21

Tuesday, December 1st, 1998

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment met at 3:39 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Sarmite Bulte, Charlie Penson, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Maud Debien for Benoît Sauvageau.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and Daniel Dupras, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Alan Kessel, Director, United Nations, Criminal and Treaty Law Division; Keith M. Morrill, Deputy Director, Criminal Law Privilege and Immunities Section; Marie-Josée Rhéaume, Desk Officer, Criminal Law Privilege and Immunities Section. *From the Department of Justice:* Douglas Breithaupt, Counsel, Criminal Law Policy Section; Yvan Roy, Senior General Counsel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee convened a briefing session on the OECD Anti-corruption Convention.

Alan Kessel and Keith Morrill from the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade made statements.

Yvan Roy from the Department of Justice made a statement.

The witnesses answered questions.

At 4:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Santosh Sirpaul

Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 22

Wednesday, February 10, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Charlie Penson, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz and Dan Shaw, Research Officers.

The Sub-Committee proceeded to examine its future business. (See the *Minutes of Proceedings* of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade of February 4, 199, Meeting no. 87.)

At 4:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Dupuis

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 23

Thursday, February 11, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Claude Carrière, Director, Tariffs and Market Access Division;

Kathryn McCallion, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business, Passport and
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Meeting No. 23

Thursday, February 11, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:15 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Raymonde Folco, Charlie Penson, Benoît Sauvageau.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw and Peter Berg, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Claude Carrière, Director, Tariffs and Market Access Division; Kathryn McCallion, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business, Passport and Consular Affairs.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process (*See Minutes of Proceedings of February 4, 1999, Meeting 87*).

Kathryn McCallion made a statement and, with Claude Carrière, answered questions.

At 12:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Dupuis

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Meeting No. 24

Wednesday, March 3, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

APPEARING:

Hon. Sergio Marchi, Minister for International Trade

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Claude Carrière, Director, Tariffs and Market Access Division;

Kathryn McCallion, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business, Passport and
Consular Affairs.

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Meeting No. 24

Wednesday, March 3, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, André Bachand, Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Charlie Penson, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Member(s) present: Monique Guay for Benoît Sauvageau.

Other Members present: Darrel Stinson; Larry McCormick.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Gerald Schmitz, Research Officer.

Appearing: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: The Hon. Sergio Marchi, Minister for International Trade.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Kathryn McCallion, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business, Passport and Consular Affairs; George Haynal, Assistant Deputy Minister - Americas; Paul Durand, Director General, Latin America and Caribbean Bureau; Claude Carrière, Director, Tariffs and Market Access Division.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee continued its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process. (*See Minutes of Proceedings of February 4, 1999, Meeting 87*).

The Minister made an opening statement and, with Kathryn McCallion and Claude Carrière, answered questions.

At 4:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Dupuis

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Meeting No. 25

Tuesday, March 9, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Bob Anderson, Vice-President, (Americas).

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Bob Clark, Senior Coordinator of Hemisphere Summits;

Paul Durand, Director General, Latin America and Caribbean Bureau;

George Haynal, Assistant Deputy Minister (Americas).

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Meeting No. 25

Tuesday, March 9, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Raymonde Folco, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Deepak Obhrai for Charlie Penson.

Other Member present : Bill Graham.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Dupras, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: George Haynal, Assistant Deputy Minister - Americas; Paul Durand, Director General, Latin America and Caribbean Bureau; Bob Clark, Senior Coordinator of Hemisphere Summits. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Bob Anderson, Vice-President, Americas.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee continued its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process. (*See Minutes of Proceedings of February 4, 1999, Meeting 87*).

George Haynal made an opening statement and, with Bob Clark, Bob Anderson and Paul Durand, answered questions.

At 5:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Dupuis

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 26

Tuesday, April 13, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

Canadian Labour Congress:

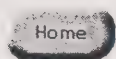
Sheilla Katz, NAFTA, Coordinator;

Dick Martin, Secretary Treasurer; President of the Inter-American Regional Organization of
Workers:

Fraser Institute:

Owen Lippert, Director, Law and Markets Project.





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Tuesday, April 13, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, Raymonde Folco presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Raymonde Folco, Charlie Penson, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Pat Martin for Bill Blaikie.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw and Peter Berg, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Fraser Institute: Owen Lippert, Director, Law and Markets Project. *From the Canadian Labour Congress:* Dick Martin, Secretary Treasurer and President of the Inter-American Regional Workers Association; Sheila Katz, NAFTA Coordinator.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process. (*See Minutes of Proceedings of May 5, 1998, Meeting 18*).

Owen Lippert and Dick Martin each made an opening statement and, with Sheila Katz, answered questions.

At 5:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Janice Hilchie

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, April 20, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

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WITNESSES:

Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives:

Bruce Campbell, Executive Director.

Canadian Council for International Cooperation:

Eleanor Douglas, Co-Chair, Americas Policy Group;

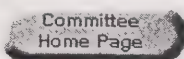
Gauri Screenivasan, Coordinator, Policy Unit.

As Individuals:

Jean Daudelin;

Maureen Molot.





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Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, April 20, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:48 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Raymonde Folco, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Dick Harris for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw and Peter Berg, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives: Bruce Campbell, Executive Director. *From the Canadian Council for International Co-operation:* Gauri Screenivasan, Coordinator, Policy Unit; Eleanor Douglas, Co-Chair, Americas Policy Group. *As Individual:* Jean Daudelin, North-South Institute; Maureen Molot, Director, Norman Patterson School of International Relations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process. (*See Minutes of Proceedings of May 5, 1998, Meeting 18*).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:32 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Carol Chafe

Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 28

Wednesday, April 21, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

Alliance of Manufacturers and Exporters Canada:

Jayson Myers, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist.

Canadian Foundation for the Americas:

Lucie Lafrance, Manager of Communications;

Martin Roy, Political Analyst.

Council of Canadians:

Peter Bleyer, Executive Director.



International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development:

Warren Allmand, President.

International Development Research Centre:

Rohinton Medhora, Senior Program Officer;

Caroline Pestieau, Vice-Chair, Program Branch.

“Université Laval”:

Joël Monfils, “Institut québécois des hautes études internationales”.



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Meeting No. 28

Wednesday, April 21, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Bill Blaikie, Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Charlie Penson, Benoît Sauvageau, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw and Peter Berg, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development: Warren Allmand, President; Carol Samdup, Coordinator, Globalization Programme; Nancy Thede, Programmes Corrdinator. *From the Canadian Foundation for the Americas:* Martin Roy, Policy Analyst; Lucie Lafrance, Manager of Communciations; Joël Monfils, «Institut québécois des hautes études internationales», Université Laval. *From the Alliance of Manufacturers & Exporters Canada:* Jayson Myers, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist; Pamela Fehr, Policy Analyst. *From the International Development Research Centre:* Rohinton Medhora, Senior Program Officer; Caroline Pestieau, Vice-President, Programs Branch. *From the Council of Canadians (The):* Peter Bleyer, Executive Director; Anna Dashtgard, Trade Campaigner.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process (*See Minutes of Proceedings of May 5, 1998, Meeting 18*).

Warren Allmand, Lucie Lafrance, Martin Roy, Jayson Myers, Caroline Pestieau, Rohinton Medhora and Peter Bleyer each made an opening statement and with Joël Monfils, answered questions.

At 5:36 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Janice Hilchie

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 29

Wednesday, May 5, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

Canadian Federation of Agriculture:

Sally Rutherford, Executive Director.

Centre for Trade Policy and Law:

William M. Miner, Senior Associate.

Dairy Farmers of Canada:

Yves Leduc, Assistant Director, International Trade Department.

Sierra Club of Canada:

Elizabeth May, Executive Director.





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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Blaikie, Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder and Charlie Penson.

Acting Member present: Maud Debien for Benoît Sauvageau.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw.

Witnesses: From the Dairy Farmers of Canada: Yves Leduc, Assistant Director, International Trade Department. *From the Canadian Federation of Agriculture:* Sally Rutherford, Executive Director. *From the Sierra Club of Canada:* Elizabeth May, Executive Director. *From the Centre for Trade Policy and Law:* William M. Miner, Senior Associate.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), The Sub-Committee continued its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process.

The witnesses made statement and answered questions.

At 4:58 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 30

Tuesday, May 11, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

Canadian Cancer Society:

Rob Cunningham, Senior Policy Analyst.

Canadian Environmental Law Association:

Michelle Swenarchuk, Director of International Programs.

Canadian Pulp and Paper Association:

Joel Neuheimer, Manager, Market Access.

Mining Association of Canada:

Gordon Peeling, President and Chief Executive Officer.





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Tuesday, May 11, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 4:09 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Raymonde Folco and Benoît Sauvageau.

Acting Member present: Deepak Obhrai for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From The Mining Association of Canada: Gordon Peeling, President and Chief Executive Officer. *From the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association:* Joel Neuheimer, Manager, Market Access. *From the Canadian Environmental Law Association:* Michelle Swenarchuk, Director of International Programmes. *From the Canadian Cancer Society:* Rob Cunningham, Senior Policy Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process. (*See Minutes of Proceedings of May 5, 1998, Meeting 18*).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:38 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chairman: Sarmite Bulte, Lib.

Meeting No. 31

Wednesday, May 26, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

Expetro International OGPC Ltd.:

Annette Hester, Associate Consultant, Regional Coordinator.

GE Canada:

Robert Weese, Vice-President, Government and External Relations.

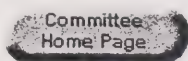
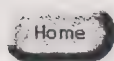
Gildan Activewear Inc.:

Greg Chamandy, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

Industry Canada:

Patricia Smith, Deputy Director of Investigation and Research, Economics and International Affairs Branch, Competition Bureau.





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Meeting No. 31

Wednesday, May 26, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:53 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder and Benoît Sauvageau.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From Industry Canada - Competition Bureau: Patricia Smith, Deputy Director of Investigation and Research, Economics and International Affairs Branch. *From Expetro International OGPC Ltd.:* Annette Hester, Associate Consultant, Regional Coordinator. *From Gildan Activewear Inc.:* H. Greg Chamandy, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer. *From GE Canada:* Robert Weese, Vice-President, Government & External Relations; John A.M. Wilson, Consultant, Government Relations.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process. (*See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, May 5, 1999, Meeting No. 18*)

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 32

Wednesday, June 2, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

Canadian Conference of the Arts:

Marlene Chan, International Coordinator;

Megan Williams, National Director.

Shaw Communications, Inc.:

Ken Stein, Senior Vice-President, Corporate and Regulatory Affairs.

Writers' Union of Canada:

Barry Grills, Co-Chair.

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Meeting No. 32

Wednesday, June 2, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Raymonde Folco, Charlie Penson and Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Conference of the Arts: Megan Williams, National Director; Marlene Chan, National Director. *From Shaw Communications Inc.:* Ken Stein, Senior Vice-President, Corporate and Regulatory Affairs. *From the Writers' Union of Canada:* Barry Grills, Co-Chair.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process. (*See Minutes of Proceedings of May 5, 1998, Meeting No. 18*)

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:16 p.m. Murray Calder took the Chair.

At 5:02 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 33

Wednesday, June 9, 1999

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

WITNESSES:

University of Michigan Law School:

Robert Howse, Professor.

As Individual:

Howard Mann.



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Meeting No. 33

Wednesday, June 9, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte and Benoît Sauvageau.

Acting Member present: Darrel Stinson for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw.

Witnesses: From the University of Michigan Law School: Prof. Robert Howse. *As an individual:* Howard Mann, Consultant and Trade Lawyer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its examination of Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process. . (*See Minutes of Proceedings of May 5, 1998, Meeting No. 18*)

Robert Howse made an opening statement and answered questions.

Howard Mann made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:47 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Sub-Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, October 26, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment and the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a joint session *in camera* at 9:38 a.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chairs, Sarmite Bulte and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, André Bachand, Bill Blaikie, Sarmite Bulte, Richard Marceau, Deepak Obhrai, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw, Daniel Dupras, Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee commenced its examination of the Draft Report on Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

It was agreed, -That the Committee authorize the printing of dissenting opinions as an appendix to this Report immediately following the signature of the Chair and that the dissenting opinions be limited to no more than five(5) pages, to be delivered to the Clerk of the Committee no later than noon Thursday, October 28, 1999 in both official languages.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, -That the Committees meet jointly on Wednesday, October 27, 1999 in order to resume consideration of a Draft Report on Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process.

At 12:05 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Wednesday, October 27, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment and the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a joint session *in camera* at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chairs, Sarmite Bulte and Bill Graham, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Sarmite Bulte, Richard Marceau, Deepak Obhrai, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Dan Shaw, Daniel Dupras, Gerald Schmitz, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its examination of a Draft Report on Canada's priority interests in the FTAA process

It was agreed, -That the Committee prepare its Report, entitled The Free Trade Area of the Americas: Towards a Hemispheric Agreement in the Canadian Interest, as a standard black and white report with a black and white cover with graphics.

It was agreed, -That the draft report, as amended, be adopted as the First Report of the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment and the First Report of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade and that the Chair be authorized to present the Report to the House of Commons.

It was agreed, -That the Committee print 550 copies of the Report in French and 1,000 copies in English.

It was agreed, -That pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government table a comprehensive response to this Report.

It was agreed, -That the Chair be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the Report to the House.

At 5:35 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Wednesday, November 3, 1999

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarkis Assadourian, Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Francine Lalonde for Richard Marceau.

Other Member present: Aileen Carroll.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Daniel Shaw, Research Officer.

The Committee considered future business.

At 4:04 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Richard Rumas

Sub-Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 4

Wednesday, November 24, 1999

The Sub-committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Deepak Obhrai, Alex Shepherd.

Acting Member present: Yves Rocheleau for Richard Marceau.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Daniel Dupras and Gerry Schmidt, Research Officers.

The members present discussed the future business of the Sub-committee and agreed that the Sub-committee should undertake a Canada-Europe study beginning on December 8, 1999 with federal officials as witnesses.

At 4:09 p.m., the the Sub-committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Bernard G. Fournier

Clerk of the Sub-committee

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Meeting No. 5

Wednesday, February 9, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on Canada—Europe economic relations

WITNESSES:

Department of Finance Canada:

Terry Collins—Williams, Director, International Trade Policy Division.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada:

Claude Carrière, Director General, General Trade Policy;

Bertin Côté, Assistant Deputy Minister, Europe, Middle East and North Africa.

Statistics Canada:

David Dodds, Director, International Trade Division.



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Meeting No. 5

Wednesday, February 9, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Richard Marceau, Deepak Obhrai, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Daniel Dupras, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Bertin Côté, Assistant Deputy Minister, Europe, Middle East and North Africa; Claude Carrière, Director General, General Trade Policy Bureau. *From Statistics Canada:* David Dodds, Director, International Trade Division. *From the Department of Finance:* Terry Collins-Williams, Director, International Trade Policy Division.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) a briefing on Canada-Europe economic relations.

Bob Speller moved, - That the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment undertake a study on Canada's economic relations with Europe.

The motion was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEAS:

NAYS: 0

Murray Calder

Alex Shepherd

Bob Speller

Deepak Obhrai

Richard Marceau - (5)

Bob Speller moved, - That 8 members and 2 staff of the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment be authorised to travel to London, Paris, Berlin, Rome, Brussels and Geneva from May 1 - 12, 2000, in relation to the study on Canada's economic relations with Europe.

The motion was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEAS:

NAYS:

Murray Calder

Richard Marceau - (1)

Alex Shepherd

Bob Speller

Deepak Obhrai - (4)

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

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Chair: Sarmite Bulte, Lib.

Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, February 16, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Canada's economic relations with Europe

WITNESSES:

Alliance of Manufacturers & Exporters Canada:

Jayson Myers, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist.

Canadian Chamber of Commerce:

Robert Keyes, Senior Vice-President, International.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

William Clarke, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business and Chief Trade Commissioner.



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Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, February 16, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Deepak Obhrai, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Terrence Thomas and Blayne Haggard, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: William Clarke, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business and Chief Trade Commissioner; Gary Scott, Director, Northern Europe Division; Cameron Siles, Trade Relations Advisor, Europe Union Division. *From the Canadian Chamber of Commerce:* Robert Keyes, Senior Vice-President, International. *From the Alliance of Manufacturers & Exporters Canada:* Jayson Myers, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) a study on Canada's economic relations with Europe.

The Order of Reference dated Thursday, February 10, 2000 being read as follows:

ORDERED, -- That, pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment undertake a study of Canada's economic relations with Europe. (See Minutes of Proceedings, Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade. Meeting No. 18).

William Clarke made a statement.

At 4:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 7

Wednesday, February 23, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Briefing on Canada—Europe economic relations

WITNESSES:

Abestos Institute:

Denis Hamel, Director.


Agriculture, Food and Beverage Sectoral Advisory Group on International Trade:

Don Knoerr, Co-Chair.

Canadian Advanced Technology Alliance:

David Paterson, Government Relations Officer.



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Meeting No. 7

Wednesday, February 23, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 5:05 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Deepak Obhrai, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Jean-Guy Chrétien for Richard Marceau.

Other member present: Bill Graham, Chair, Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Research Officer.

From Committees and Parliamentary Associations: Roxanne Enman, Committee Clerk.

Witnesses: From the Agriculture, Food and Beverage Sectoral Advisory Group on International Trade: Don Knoerr, Co-Chair. *From the The Asbestos Institute:* Denis Hamel, Director. *From the Canadian Advanced Technology Alliance:* David Paterson, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of Canada's Economic relations with Europe. (See Minutes of Proceedings dated Wednesday, February 16, 2000, Meeting No. 6).

Don Knoerr, Denis Hamel and David Paterson each made a statement and answered questions.

At 6:36 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

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Meeting No. 8

Wednesday, March 1, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's Economic relations with Europe

WITNESSES:

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada:

Mike Gifford, Special Trade Policy Adviser (Ret'd) to the Deputy Minister;

Suzanne Vinet, Acting Director General, International Trade Policy Directorate, Market and Industry Services Branch.

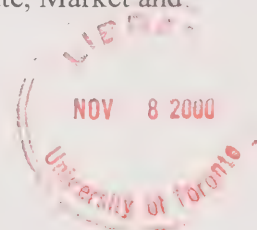
Canadian Federation of Agriculture:

Jennifer Higginson, Trade Policy Analyst;

Sally Rutherford, Executive Director.

Canadian Pork Council:

Martin Rice, Executive Director.



Sierra Club of Canada:

Christine Elwell, Senior Policy Analyst.

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Meeting No. 8

Wednesday, March 1st, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Deepak Obhrai, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Hélène Alaire for Richard Marceau; Dick Proctor for Bill Blaikie.

Other Members present: Rick Casson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Gerry Schmidt, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada: Mike Gifford, Special Trade Policy Advisor (retired) to the Deputy Minister; Susanne Vinet, Acting Director General, International Trade Policy Directorate, Market and Industry Services Branch. *From the Canadian Federation of Agriculture:* Jennifer Higginson, Trade Policy Analyst; Sally Rutherford, Executive Director. *From the Sierra Club of Canada:* Christine Elwell, Senior Policy Analyst. *From the Canadian Pork Council:* Martin Rice, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of Canada's Economic relations with Europe. (See Minutes of Proceedings dated Wednesday, February 16, 2000, Meeting No. 6).

Mike Gifford, Jennifer Higginson, Martin Rice and Christine Elwell made opening statements and, with Sally Rutherford, answered questions.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

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Meeting No. 9

Wednesday, March 22, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's economic relations with Europe

WITNESSES:

Canadian Chamber of Commerce:

Robert Keyes, Senior Vice-President, International.

Canadian Wine Institute:

Roger Randolph, President.



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Meeting No. 9

Wednesday, March 22, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Richard Marceau, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Judy Sgro for Murray Calder

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Blayne Haggart, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Chamber of Commerce: Robert Keyes, Senior Vice-President, International. *From the Canadian Wine Institute:* Roger Randolph, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) a study on Canada's economic relations with Europe.

Robert Keyes and Roger Randolph each made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:50 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Miriam Burke

Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 10

Wednesday, March 29, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's economic relations with Europe

WITNESSES:

Alliance of Manufacturers & Exporters Canada:

Jayson Myers, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Susan Cartwright, Director General, European Union, North and West Europe Bureau;

William Clarke, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business, and Chief Trade Commissioner;

Gary Scott, Director, Northern Europe Division;

Cameron Siles, Trade Relations Adviser, European Union, North and West Europe Bureau.



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Wednesday, March 29, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Richard Marceau, Deepak Obhrai and Alex Shepherd.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Terrence Thomas and Blayne Haggard, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: William Clarke, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business and Chief Trade Commissioner; Gary Scott, Director, North Europe Division; Susan Cartwright, Director General, European Union, North and West Europe Bureau; Cameron Siles, Trade Relations Advisor, Europe Union Division. *From the Alliance of Manufacturers & Exporters Canada:* Jayson Myers, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of Canada's economic relations with Europe (See Minutes of Proceedings dated Wednesday, February 16, 2000, Meeting no. 6).

William Clarke made an opening statement and, with Gary Scott, Susan Cartwright and Cameron Siles, answered questions.

Jayson Myers made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:31 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 11

Wednesday, May 3, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's economic relations with Europe

WITNESSES:

Conference Board of Canada:

Charles Barrett, Vice-President, Business Research.

International Trade Policy Consultants Inc.:

Kathleen Macmillan, President.



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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Yves Rocheleau for Richard Marceau.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Research Officer

Witnesses: From the Conference Board of Canada: Dr. Charles Barrett, Vice-President, Business Research. *From the International Trade Policy Consultants Inc.:* Kathleen Macmillan, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) a study on Canada's economic relations with Europe.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 4:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

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Meeting No. 12

Wednesday, May 10, 2000

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Canada's economic relations with Europe

WITNESSES:

Delegation of the European Commission in Canada:

Danièle Smadja, Ambassador and Head.

Global Economics Ltd.:

Patrick Grady, Consultant.



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Wednesday, May 10, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Sarmite Bulte, Richard Marceau, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: June Dewetering, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Delegation of the European Commission in Canada: H.E. Danièle Smadja, Ambassador; Frank Deeg, Principal Adviser, Economic and Commercial Affairs. *From Global Economics Ltd.:* Patrick Grady, Consultant.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of Canada's economic relations with Europe (See Minutes of Proceedings dated Wednesday, February 16, 2000, Meeting no. 6)

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:56 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

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Wednesday, June 7, 2000

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Blaikie, Sarmite Bulte, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Darrel Stinson for Deepak Obhrai, Francine Lalonde for Richard Marceau.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg; Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of Canada's economic relations with Europe (See Minutes of Proceedings dated Wednesday, February 16, 2000, Meeting no. 6).

The Sub-Committee commenced consideration of a Draft Report.

At 5:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Christine Fisher

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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 4:35 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Sarmite Bulte, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Blaikie, Sarmite Bulte, Murray Calder, Richard Marceau, Alex Shepherd, Bob Speller.

Associate Member present: Francine Lalonde.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg; Research Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) a study on Canada's economic relations with Europe, the Sub-Committee resumed consideration of a Draft Report.

It was agreed, -That the proposed dates for travel to Europe, in relation to the Sub-Committee's study on Canada's economic relations with Europe, be amended to Monday, October 23 - Saturday, November 4, 2000.

At 4:50 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, February 27, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 4:07 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Svend Robinson.

Acting Members present: Rick Casson for Gary Lunn.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Blayne Haggart, Research Officers.

It was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least three (3) members are present, including a member of the Opposition.

It was agreed, - That witnesses be given ten (10) minutes for their opening statement and, that during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated ten (10) minutes for each questioner, at the discretion of the Chair.

It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee study Canada's Economic Relations with Europe and that, pursuant to Standing Order 108(1)(a), evidence taken by the Sub-Committee on Canada's Economic Relations with Europe during the last Session of the previous Parliament, be deemed adduced by the Sub-Committee in the current session.

It was agreed, - That, in relation to its study of Canada's economic relations with Europe, eight members of the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade, and that the necessary committee staff be authorized to travel to London, Paris, Geneva, Berlin, Brussels and Dublin, from April 22 to May 5.

It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee would hold a hearing on the softwood lumber dispute prior to March 31, 2001.

At 4:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Marie Danielle Vachon

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Meeting No. 2

Wednesday, March 14, 2001

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Canada's Economic Relations with Europe

WITNESS:

Bank of Canada:

John Murray, Adviser.





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Meeting No. 2

Wednesday, March 14, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 4:08 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette.

Acting Member present: Rick Cassan for Gary Lunn.

Associate Member(s) present:

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg.

Witness(es): From the Bank of Canada: John Murray, Advisor.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) a study on Canada's Economic Relations with Europe

John Murray made a statement and answered questions.

It was agreed - That the Sub-Committee would seek approval of the full Committee to add additional meetings on the question of Softwood Lumber.

At 5:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Marie Danielle Vachon

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Meeting No. 3

Monday, March 19, 2001



ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Softwood Lumber

APPEARING:

Hon. Pierre Pettigrew, Minister of International Trade

WITNESS:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Doug Waddell, Assistant Deputy Minister, Trade, Economic and Environmental Policy.



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Meeting No. 3

Monday, March 19, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Gary Lunn, Svend Robinson.

Acting Members present: Claude Duplain for Pat O'Brien; Benoît Sauvageau for Pierre Paquette.

Associate Members present: Rick Casson and John Duncan.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Blayne Haggart.

Appearing: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Pierre Pettigrew, Minister of International Trade.

Witness: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Doug Waddell, Assistant Deputy Minister, Trade, Economic and Environmental Policy.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), a study on Softwood Lumber

The Honourable Pierre Pettigrew made a statement and, with Doug Waddell, answered questions.

At 4:34 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 4

Wednesday, March 21, 2001

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Softwood Lumber

WITNESSES:

Canadian Lumber Trade Alliance:

David Emerson, Co-Chairman.

Free Trade Lumber Council:

Bob Rae, Legal Counsel.

Government Policy Consultants:

Gerry Shannon, Senior Consultant.

Industrial Wood and Allied Workers of Canada Union:

David Haggard, President.



Maritime Lumber Bureau:

Diana Blenkhorn, President and Chief Executive Officer.



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Meeting No. 4

Wednesday, March 21, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Gary Lunn, Pierre Paquette, Svend Robinson, Bob Speller, Tony Valeri.

Acting Member present: Joe Comuzzi for Pat O'Brien.

Other Members present: Bev Desjarlais, Charlie Penson, John Duncan, Dominic LeBlanc.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Blayne Haggart.

Witnesses: From the Government Policy Consultants: Gerry Shannon, Senior Consultant. *From the Canadian Lumber Trade Alliance:* David Emerson, Co-Chairman. *From the Industrial Wood and Allied Workers of Canada Union:* David Haggard, President. *From the Maritime Lumber Bureau:* Diana Blenkhorn, President and CEO. *From the Free Trade Lumber Council:* The Honourable Bob Rae, Legal Counsel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), a study on Softwood Lumber.

It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee would add an additional hour to its meeting of Wednesday, March 28th to hear further witnesses on the issue of softwood lumber.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 5

Wednesday, March 28, 2001

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on Canada's Economic Relations with Europe

WITNESSES:

"Association des manufacturiers de bois de sciage du Québec":

Richard Bélanger, Co-Chair, International Trade Committee.

Canadian Lumber Remanufacturers' Alliance:

Jacques Côté, Quebec Representative, CLRA Advisory Board;

Rick Ekstein, Ontario Representative, CLRA Advisory Board.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Susan M.W. Cartwright, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Europe, Middle East and North Africa;



John Curtis, Senior Policy Adviser and Coordinator, Trade and Economic Analysis Division;

Ross Miller, Assistant Director, European Union Division;

Brian Oak, Director, Policy and Strategic Planning Division;

Claudio Valle, Director, Technical Barriers and Regulations.

Industry Canada:

Alan Virtue, Director General, Campaigns and Services.



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Meeting No. 5

Wednesday, March 28, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Member(s) of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Gary Lunn, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette.

Members present: Rick Casson, Joe Comuzzi.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Blayne Haggart.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Susan M.W. Cartwright, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Europe, Middle East and North Africa; John Curtis, Senior Policy Advisor and Coordinator, Trade and Economic Analysis Division; Serge Marcoux, Director, Baltic, Central European and EFTA Countries Division; Brian Oak, Director, Policy and Strategic Planning Division; Claudio Valle, Director, Technical Barriers and Regulations; Ross Miller, A/Director, European Union Division. *From the Department of Industry:* Alan Virtue, Director General, Campaigns and Services. *From the International Trade Committee of AMBSQ:* Richard Bélanger, Co-Chair and Jean LeBel, Co-Chair. *From the Canadian Lumber Remanufacturers Alliance:* Jacques Côté, Quebec Representative on the CLRA Advisory Board; Rick Ekstein, Ontario Representative on the CLRA Advisory Board.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) a study on Canada's Economic Relations with Europe.

Susan Cartwright made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 4:30 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:35 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The witnesses each made statements and answered questions.

At 5:15 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:18 p.m., the sitting resumed, *in camera*.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), a study on Softwood Lumber.

It was agreed, unanimously, - That the draft report (as amended) and adopted be presented by the Chair to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

At 5:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, April 4, 2001

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Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, April 4, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Bob Speller, Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: Rick Casson for Gary Lunn

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg.

The Sub-Committee proceeded to discuss its future business.

It was agreed - That in order to avoid the risk of inadvertently spreading Foot and Mouth disease, the Sub-Committee would refrain from travelling to London and Dublin in the context of its study of Canada's economic relations with Europe.

At 4:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 7

Wednesday, May 30, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 306, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Bob Speller, Tony Valeri.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Blayne Haggart.

Consideration of Committee Reports.

It was agreed - That the draft report (as amended) be adopted as the Sub-Committee's Second Report to the Committee and that the Chair be instructed to present it to the full Committee.

It was agreed - That the Chair be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.

It was agreed - That Members would consult with their Caucuses regarding a possible date for the Sub-Committee travel to Washington on the issue of Softwood Lumber.

At 4:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Marie Danielle Vachon

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Tuesday, June 12, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 11:08 a.m. this day, in Room 208, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Bob Speller, Tony Valeri.

Associate Members present: Paul Crête, Suzanne Tremblay, John Duncan, Denis Paradis.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg.

The Sub-Committee proceeded to consider its future business

At 11:50 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Marie Danielle Vachon

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mark Eyking, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette.

Acting Members present: John Duncan for Rick Casson.

Other Members present: Paul Crête, Claude Duplain, Hélène Scherrer.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg.

The Committee proceeded to consider its future business.

At 4:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chair and Vice-Chairs





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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Bob Speller and Tony Valeri.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Research Officer.

Pursuant to the Order of Tuesday October 2, 2001 of the Standing Committee of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Election of the Chair.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

On motion of Bob Speller, it was agreed, -That, Mac Harb be elected Chair of the Sub-Committee.

Accordingly, Mac Harb was declared duly elected Chair of the Sub-Committee and took the Chair.

At 3:32 p.m. the sitting was suspended.

At 3:33 p.m. the Sub-Committee proceeded to sit *in camera*.

It was agreed, - That pursuant to the Order of Thursday, September 27, 2001, of the Standing Committee of Foreign Affairs and International Trade,- That the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment invite Mr. Juan Somavia, Director General of the International Labour Organization, to appear before it on Wednesday, October 17 at 3:30 p.m.

It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee's study of Bill C-32 take place on Wednesday, October 17 at 4:30 p.m., pursuant to the Order of Tuesday, October 2, 2001, of the Standing Committee of Foreign Affairs and International Trade,-That the study of Bill C-32, An Act to implement the Free Trade Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica, be referred to the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment, and that a working dinner be provided.

It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee would hold hearings on the issue of U.S.-Canada border delays and the commercial implications for trade.

At 4:07 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 11

Wednesday, October 17, 2001

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Invitation to Mr. Juan Somavia, Director General of the International Labour Organization to appear before the sub-committee on Wednesday, October 17 at 15:30

Study of Bill C-32, An Act to implement the Free Trade Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica

APPEARING:

Pat O'Brien, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of International Trade

WITNESSES:

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada:

Suzanne Vinet, Director General, International Trade Policy Directorate.

Canadian Sugar Beet Producers' Association Inc.:

Bruce Webster, General Manager.



Canadian Sugar Institute:

Sandra Marsden, President.

“Confédération des syndicats nationaux”:

Vincent Dagenais, International Relations.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Claude Carrière, Director General, Trade Policy Bureau I, Chief Negotiator, Free Trade Area of the Americas.

International Labour Organization:

Juan Somavia, Director General.

Lantic Sugar Inc.:

Dan Lafrance, Vice-President.



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Wednesday, October 17, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 253-D, Centre Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mark Eyking, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Svend Robinson, Bob Speller, and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: John Duncan for Rick Casson, Pat Martin for Svend Robinson.

Other Member present: Monte Solberg.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Researcher. *From Legislative Services:* Jean-Michel Roy, Legislative Clerk.

Appearing: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Pat O'Brien, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Claude Carrière, Director General, Trade Policy Bureau I, Chief Negotiator, Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA). *From the Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada:* Susanne Vinet, Acting Director General, International Trade Policy Directorate, Market and Industry Services Branch. *From the Canadian Sugar Beet Producers' Association Inc.:* Bruce Webster, General Manager. *From the Canadian Sugar Institute:* Sandra Marsden, President. *From the Lanctic Sugar Inc.:* Dan Lafrance, Vice President; Yvon Thibeault, Chief Steward of the First Unit of Lanctic Sugar Inc.; Normand Carle, Steward of the First Unit of Lanctic Sugar Inc.. *From the "Confédération des syndicats nationaux":* Vincent Dagenais, International Relations. *From the Sack, Goldblatt and Mitchell:* Steven Shrybman, Lawyer.

The Order of Reference dated Tuesday, October 2, 2001, being now read as follows:

ORDERED, -- That the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment invite Mr. Juan Somavia, Director General of the International Labour Organization, to appear before it on Wednesday, October 17 at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Juan Somavia made a statement and answered questions.

At 4:28 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:30 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The Order of Reference dated Tuesday, October 2, 2001, being now read as follows:

ORDERED, -- That Bill C-32, An Act to implement the Free Trade Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica, be referred to the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment.

The Chair called Clause 1.

Mac Harb tabled a letter from the Confectionery Manufacturers Association of Canada.

Pat O'Brien, Claude Carrière and Susan Vinet made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Bruce Webster, Sandra Marsden, Dan Lafrance, and Vincent Dagenais made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:46 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 6:25 p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 6:52 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 6:53 p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 7:10 p.m. the Sub-Committee proceeded to clause-by-clause consideration of the bill.

Clause 1 stood.

Clauses 2 to 60 carried, severally on division.

Schedules 1 to Schedule 3 inclusive carried, severally, on division.

Clause 1 carried, on division.

The Preamble carried, on division.

The Title carried, on division.

The Bill carried, on division.

ORDERED, -- That the Chair report Bill C-32, An Act to implement the Free Trade Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica, with amendments to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade as the Second Report of the Sub-Committee.

At 7:15 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 12

Thursday, October 18, 2001



ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on U.S.- Canada Border delays

WITNESSES:

Canada Customs and Revenue Agency:

Brian Brimble, Director General, Operational Policy and Coordination Directorate, Customs Branch;

Brian Jones, Director, Import Process Division, Operational Policy and Coordination Directorate;

Denis Lefebvre, Assistant Commissioner, Customs Branch.

Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters:

Perrin Beatty, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Canadian Trucking Alliance:

Massimo Bergamini, Vice-President, Public Affairs;

David Bradley, Chief Executive Officer.

Canadian Vehicle Manufacturers' Association:

David C. Adams, Vice-President of Policy.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Marc Lortie, Assistant Deputy Minister (Americas).



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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Member of the Sub-Committee present: Mac Harb.

Acting Members present: Joe Comartin for Svend Robinson, John Duncan for Rick Casson, Francine Lalonde for Pierre Paquette, and Susan Whelan for Tony Valeri.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Marc Lortie, Assistant Deputy Minister (Americas); Jon Allen, Director General, North America Bureau. *From the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency:* Brian Brimble, Director General, Operational Policy and Coordination Directorate, Customs Branch; Brian Jones, Director, Import Process Division, Operational Policy and Coordination Directorate. *From the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters:* Perrin Beatty, President. *From the Canadian Vehicle Manufacturers' Association:* David C. Adams, Vice-President of Policy. *From the Canadian Trucking Alliance:* David Bradley, Chief Executive Officer; Massimo Bergamini, Vice-President, Public Affairs.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) - Study on U.S. - Canada Border delays.

Marc Lortie, Brian Brimble, Brian Jones, Denis Lefebvre made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 4:55 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:57 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Perrin Beatty, David Adams and David Bradley made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

It was agreed – That the document of speaking notes for the Hon. Perrin Beatty presented to the Sub-Committee by the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters be taken as read.

It was agreed – That the document of speaking notes for David Adams presented to the Sub-Committee by the Canadian Vehicle Manufacturers' Association be taken as read.

At 5:50 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson

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Meeting No. 13

Thursday, October 25, 2001

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on U.S.- Canada Border delays

WITNESSES:

Canadian Association of Exporters and Importers:

John Bescec, Vice-President.

Canadian Chamber of Commerce:

Alexander Lofthouse, Policy Analyst.

Customs Excise Union:

Serge Charette, National President.



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Meeting No. 13

Thursday, October 25, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:38 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mac Harb, Gary Lunn, Pierre Paquette.

Acting Member present: Judi Longfield for Bob Speller.

Associate Member present: John Duncan.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Association of Importers and Exporters: John Bescec, Vice-President. From the Custom Excise Union: Serge Charette, National President. From the Canadian Chamber of Commerce: Alexander Hoffhouse, Policy Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) – Study on U.S. - Canada Border delays.

Witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:23 p.m. the Sub-Committee considered a draft report on the Sugar Industry. On a motion by Gary Lunn, it was agreed, - That the draft report be adopted as the Third Report of the Sub-Committee and that the Chair report to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

At 4:24 the Sub-Committee resumed its study of U. S. – Canada Border delays.

At 5:02 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 14

Wednesday, October 31, 2001

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study on U.S.- Canada Border delays and the commercial implications for trade

WITNESSES:

Air Transport Association of Canada:

Warren Everson, Vice-President, Policy and Strategic Planning.

Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance:

James Phillips, President.

Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police:

Vince Bevan, Chief, Vice-President;

Vincent Westwik, General Counsel, Ottawa-Carleton Regional Police Service.

Canadian International Freight Forwarders Association:

George Khun, Executive Director.

Canadian Police Association:

David Griffin, Executive Officer.

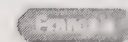
Public Policy Forum:

Yves Poisson, Consultant.

Railway Association of Canada:

Bruce Burrows, Vice-President, Public Affairs and Government Relations;

Chris Jones, Director, Federal-Provincial Government Liaison.



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Meeting No. 14

Wednesday, October 31, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb and Gary Lunn.

Acting Member present: Francine Lalonde for Pierre Paquette.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Air Transport Association of Canada: Warren Everson, Vice-President, Policy and Strategic Planning. From the Canadian International Freight Forwarders Association: George Khun, Executive Director. From the Public Policy Forum: Yves Poisson, Consultant. From the The Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance: James Phillips, President. From the Railway Association of Canada: Bruce Burrows, Vice-President, Public Affairs, Government Relations; Chris Jones, Director, Federal/Provincial Government Liaison. From the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police: Vincent Westwik, General Counsel, Ottawa-Carleton Regional Police Service; Vince Bevan, Vice-President. From the Canadian Police Association: David Griffin, Executive Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) - Study on U.S. - Canada Border delays and the commercial implications for trade.

David Griffin, Chief Vince Bevan, Bruce Burrows, James Phillips, Yves Poisson, George Khun and Warren Everson made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:10 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:12 p.m., the sitting resumed, in camera.

It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee commence a study on the recent developments in the softwood lumber dispute between Canada and the United States.

It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee commence a study on matters concerning the Canadian Steel industry.

At 5:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson

Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 15

Wednesday, November 21, 2001

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Meeting No. 15

Wednesday, November 21, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:38 p.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mac Harb, Pierre Paquette, and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: Gary Pilliteri for Bob Speller, John Richardson for Pat O'Brien.

Other Members present: John Duncan.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

The Sub-Committee considered a draft report on U.S. - Canada Border delays and the commercial implications for trade.

It was agreed, - That the draft report be adopted, as amended, as the Fifth Report of the Sub-Committee.

It was agreed, - That the title of the report be:

“Towards a Secure and Trade Efficient Border”

It was agreed, - That the chair, researchers and clerks be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.

It was agreed, - That the chair be instructed to present the Fifth Report of the Sub-Committee to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson

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Meeting No. 16

Wednesday, November 28, 2001

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of Bill C-41, An Act to amend the Canadian Commercial Corporation Act

WITNESSES:

Canadian Commercial Corporation:

Emechete Onuoha, Vice-President, Corporate Strategy;

Tamara Parschin-Rybkin, Senior Counsel and Coordinator of Legal Services;

Paul Thoppil, Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Sara S. Hradecky, Director, Export Financing Division;

Wayne Robson, Deputy Director, Export Financing Division.



"Fédération des producteurs de lait du Québec":

André Belzile, Coordinator, Government Relations;

Guyline Gosselin, Director General.



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Meeting No. 16

Wednesday, November 28, 2001

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:31 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Bob Speller, and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: John Cannis for Mark Eyking, Roy Cullen for Bob Speller.

Other Members present: Bill Casey and John Duncan.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Michael Holden, Researcher. *From Legislative Services:* Jean-François Pagé, Legislative Clerk.

Witnesses): From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Sara S. Hradecky, Director, Export Financing Division; Wayne Robson, Deputy Director, Export Financing Division; Georgina Wainwright-Kemdirim, Officer, Export and Financing Division. *From the Canadian Commercial Corporation:* Emechete Onuoha, Vice-President, Corporate Strategy; Paul Thoppil, Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer; Tamara Parschin-Rybkin, Manager, Legal Services & Corporate Secretary. *From the "Fédération des producteurs de lait du Québec":* André Belleville; Guylaine Gosselin.

By unanimous consent, the Order of Reference dated Thursday, November 22, 2001, being now read as follows:

The Order of Reference dated Tuesday, November 20, 2001, being now read as follows:

ORDERED, -- That Bill C-41, An Act to amend the Canadian Commercial Corporation Act be referred to the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment. (*See Minutes of Proceedings, Thursday, November 22, 2001, Meeting No. 44*).

The Chair called Clause 1.

Sara S. Hradecky and Enechete Onuoha made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Clause 1 to 3 carried, severally.

Clause 4 stood.

Clause 5 stood.

Clause 6 carried.

Rick Casson moved, -- That Clause 5 be amended by replacing lines 2 to 4 on page 3 with the following:

“time shall not exceed \$30 million.”

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Rick Casson

Pierre Paquette - 2

NAYS:

John Cannis

Roy Cullen

Pat O'Brien

Tony Valeri - 4

Clause 5 carried.

Pierre Paquette moved, -- That Clause 4 be amended by adding after line 36 on page 2 the following:

“4.1 The portion of subsection 10.(1) of the Act before paragraph (a) is replaced by the following:

10.(1) The Corporation may, while complying with Canada's international commitments, do such things as it deems expedient for, or conducive to, the attainment of the purposes set out in section 9, and, for greater certainty but not so as to restrict the generality of the foregoing, the Corporation may carry on the business of.”

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was negatived on the following division:

YEAS:

Rick Casson

Pierre Paquette – 2

NAYS:

John Cannis

Roy Cullen

Pat O'Brien

Tony Valeri – 4

Clause 4 carried.

The Title carried.

The Bill carried.

ORDERED, -- That the Chair report Bill C-41, An Act to amend the Canadian Commercial Corporation Act, without amendments to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade as the Sixth Report of the Sub-Committee.

At 4:48 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:51 p.m., the sitting resumed.

By unanimous consent, and pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) – the Sub-Committee proceeded to meet with the "Fédération des producteurs de lait du Québec".

Guyline Gosselin made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:28 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson

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Meeting No. 17

Wednesday, January 30, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada:

Suzanne Vinet, Chief Agricultural Negotiator for International Trade and Policy
Directorate, Market and Industry Services Branch.

Canadian International Development Agency:

Stephen Free, Director General, Americas Branch;

Bill Singleton, Director, Economic Policies, Policy Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Claude Carrière, Director General, Trade Policy I;



Frédéric Seppey, Assistant Director (Multilateral Agreements);

Don Stephenson, Director General, Trade Policy Bureau II; Services, Investment and
Intellectual Property Bureau.



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Meeting No. 17

Wednesday, January 30, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Bob Speller, and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: Yves Rocheleau for Pierre Paquette, Francine Lalonde for Pierre Paquette, Pat Martin for Svend Robinson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Don Stephenson, Director General, Trade Policy Bureau II, Services, Investment and Intellectual Property Bureau; Randle Wilson, Director, Trade Policy and Planning Division; Steve Brereton, Director, Investment Trade Policy Division; Frédéric Seppey, Deputy Director (Regional Agreements), Services Trade Policy Division; Johanne Forest, Consultant, Trade and Environment, Environmental Relations Division, Claude Carrière, Director General, Trade Policy I. From the Canadian International Development Agency: Bill Singleton, A/Director, Economic Policies, Policy Branch, Stephen Free, Director of the Americas Branch. From Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada: Susanne Vinet, Chief Agricultural Negotiator, International Trade Policy Directorate, Market and Industry Services Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) - Assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

The Order of Reference dated Thursday, December 6, 2001, was read as follows:

ORDERED, -- That the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment consider and hold hearings on the Doha Development Agenda of the World Trade Organization.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

Pat Martin moved, -- That the Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment undertake a study on the examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed, -- That a letter be sent to all Members of Parliament asking for their input, suggestions and comments in regards to the Sub-Committee's assessment of World Trade Organization negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, and that the deadline for responses be April 1, 2002.

At 6:00 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 18

Thursday, January 31, 2002

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

Examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas

WITNESSES:

Canadian Centre for Policy Alternative:

Bruce Campbell, Executive Director.

Carleton University:

William Miner, Senior Associate, Centre for Trade Policy and Law.

Centre for Trade Policy and Law:

Bill Dymond, Executive Director.

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Grey, Clark, Shih and Associates Limited:

Peter Clark, President.



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Meeting No. 18

Thursday, January 31, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien and Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Stéphane Bergeron for Pierre Paquette.

Attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives: Bruce Campbell, Executive Director. From the Centre for Trade Policy and Law: Bill Dymond, Executive Director. From the Centre for Trade Policy and Law of Carleton University: William M. Miner, Senior Associate. From Grey, Clark, Shih and Associates Limited: Peter Clark, President.

pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) - Assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) - Examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas

the witnesses made statements and answered questions.

by unanimous consent, - It was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee would seek the input of Provincial Trade Ministers as part of its assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective.

At 6:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 19

Wednesday, February 6, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, and its study on the examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas

WITNESS:

C.D. Howe Institute:

Jack Mintz, President and Chief Executive Officer.





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Meeting No. 19

Wednesday, February 6, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Bob Speller and Tony Valeri.

Acting Member present: Yves Rocheleau for Pierre Paquette.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the C.D. Howe Institute: Jack Mintz, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, and its study on the examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

At 3:38 p.m., Bob Speller assumed the Chair.

At 3:40 p.m., Mac Harb assumed the Chair.

At 4:30 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:35 p.m., by unanimous consent, the Sub-committee proceeded to sit *in camera*.

It was agreed, – That the Sub-Committee adopt the draft budget for its travel to Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica and Peru in relation to its study of the FTAA and that the Chair present the budget to the main Committee with a request for the main Committee to seek permission from the House to complete this fact-finding mission as part of its examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas.

At 4:43 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 20

Thursday, February 7, 2002

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, and the examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas

WITNESSES:

Canadian Foundation for the Americas:

Donald Mackay, Special Adviser.

Office of the United Nations and World Trade Organization:

Sergio Marchi, Permanent Representative and Ambassador of Canada.





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Meeting No. 20

Thursday, February 7, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb and Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Yves Rocheleau for Pierre Paquette, Antoine Dubé for Pierre Paquette.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Sergio Marchi, Permanent Representative and Ambassador of Canada to the Office of the United Nations and to the World Trade Organization; Don Stephenson, Director General, Trade Policy Bureau II, Services, Investment and Intellectual Property Bureau; Randle Wilson, Director, Trade Policy and Planning Division. From the Canadian Foundation for the Americas: Donald MacKay, Special Advisor.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, and its study on the examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:35 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:40 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

At 5:25 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson
Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 21

Wednesday, February 20, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Cassels, Brock and Blackwell:

Lawrence Herman, Trade Lawyer.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Claude Carrière, Director General, Trade Policy I.

Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies:

Daniel Drache, Director.

Thomas & Davies:

Serge Fréchette, Lawyer.

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Meeting No. 21

Wednesday, February 20, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Bob Speller and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: Gary Lunn for Rick Casson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Jay Sinah, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From Cassels, Brock and Blackwell: Lawrence Herman, Trade Lawyer. As Individual: Jon Johnson, Partner, Goodmans LL.P., Toronto. From Thomas & Davies: Serge Fréchette, Lawyer. From the Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies: Daniel Drache, Director. From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Claude Carrière, Director General,, Trade Policy I.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:35 p.m., Bob Speller assumed the chair.

At 4:55 p.m., Mac Harb assumed the chair.

At 5:20 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:25 p.m., by unanimous consent, the Sub-Committee proceeded to sit *in camera*.

It was agreed, – that the budget for the travel to Latin America, as adopted by the Sub-Committee, be amended to include Columbia to the list of countries to be visited during the travel for the FTAA study, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, February 6, 2002, Meeting No. 19).

At 5:27 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 22

Thursday, February 21, 2002

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Canadian Apparel Federation:

Jack Kivenko, Member;

Elliot Lifson, President.

Canadian Council for International Business:

Robert Keyes, President and Chief Executive Officer;

Clifford Sosnow, Chair, Trade Policy Committee.

Canadian Council for International Cooperation:

Gerry Barr, President and CEO;



Gauri Sreenivasan, Policy Coordinator.

Dairy Farmers of Canada:

Yves Leduc, Assistant Director, International Trade Department.

International Trade Policy Consultants Inc.:

Kathleen Macmillan, President.

North-South Institute:

Ann Weston, Vice-President.



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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:33 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Acting-Chair, Bob Speller, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mark Eyking, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette and Bob Speller.

Other Members present: Bill Casey and Wendy Lill.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Council for International Business: Robert Keyes, President and Chief Executive Officer. From the International Trade Policy Consultants Inc.: Kathleen Macmillan, President, International Trade Policy Consultants Inc.. From the Canadian Apparel Federation: Elliot Lifson, President; Jack Kivenko, Member; Bob Kirke, Executive Director. From the Canadian Council for International Cooperation: Gerry Barr, President and CEO; Gauri Sreenivasan, Policy Coordinator. From the North-South Institute: Ann Weston, Vice-President. From the Dairy Farmers of Canada: Yves Leduc, Assistant Director, International Trade Department.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:42 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 23

Wednesday, February 27, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Rights and Democracy:

Warren Allmand, President.

World Federalists of Canada:

Fergus Watt, Executive Director.

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The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mark Eyking and Mac Harb.

Acting Members present: Gary Lunn for Rick Casson, Francine Lalonde for Pierre Paquette.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michel Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the World Federalists of Canada: Fergus Watt, Executive Director. *From Rights and Democracy:* The Honourable Warren Allmand, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:52 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Mac Harb, Lib.

Meeting No. 24

Thursday, February 28, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Canadian Environment Industry Association:

Christopher Henderson, Chief Executive Officer, The Delphi Group, Past Chair;

Rebecca Last, Director, Programs and Policy.

International Institute for Sustainable Development:

David Runnalls, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Sierra Club of Canada:

Elizabeth E. May, Executive Director.

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As Individual:

Howard Mann.



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Meeting No. 24

Thursday, February 28, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien and Svend Robinson.

Acting Members present: Bernard Bigras for Pierre Paquette, Ivan Grose for Tony Valeri.

Other Members Present: Bill Casey.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Michael Holden, Research Officer.

Witnesses: As an individual: Howard Mann, Consultant and Trade Lawyer. From the Sierra Club of Canada: Elizabeth May, Executive Director. From the International Institute for Sustainable Development: David Runnalls, President. From the Canadian Environment Industry Association: Rebecca Last, Director of Programs and Policy; Christopher Henderson, Past Chair, and CEO, The Delphi Group.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:47 p.m., Svend Robinson assumed the Chair.

At 4:56 p.m., Mac Harb assumed the Chair.

At 5:10 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Mac Harb, Lib.

Meeting No. 25

Wednesday, March 13, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters:

Mark Boudreau, Senior Director, Policy and Research;

Mathew Wilson, Director, Trade and Commercial Policy.

Federation of Canadian Municipalities:

John Burrett, Senior Analyst;

Jim W. Knight, Executive Director.

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Meeting No. 25

Wednesday, March 13, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 4:03 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mac Harb and Tony Valeri.

Acting Member present: Mario Laframboise for Pierre Paquette.

Attendance: *From the Library of Parliament:* Peter Berg and Micheal Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Federation of Canadian Municipalities: John Burrett, Senior Analyst; Jim W. Knight, Executive Director. From the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters: Mathew Wilson, Director, Trade and Commercial Policy; Mark Boudreau, Senior Director, Policy and Research.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 7).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:30 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 26

Wednesday, March 20, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance:

Ted Haney, Director;

Liam McCreery, President,

Canadian Cattlemen's Association:

Jim Caldwell, Director, Government Affairs;

Neil Jahnke, Chairman, Foreign Trade Committee.

Canadian Federation of Agriculture:

Bob Friesen, President.

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Canadian Sugar Institute:

Sandra Marsden, President.

Canadian Wheat Board:

Larry Hill, Director;

Victor Jarjour, Strategic Planning and Policy.



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Meeting No. 26

Wednesday, March 20, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:31 p.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Svend Robinson, Bob Speller, Tony Valeri.

Other Member present: Bill Casey.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Wheat Board: Larry Hill, CWB Director; Victor Jarjour, Strategic Planning and Policy; Carl Potts, Strategic Planning and Policy. From the Canadian Cattlemen's Association: Jim Caldwell, Director, Government Affairs, Government Affairs; Neil Jahnke, Chairman, Foreign Trade Committee. From the Canadian Federation of Agriculture: Dietwald Claus, Policy Analyst; Bob Friesen, President; Brigid Rivoire, Executive Director. From the Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance: Liam McCreery, President; Ted Haney, Director on CAFTA. From the Canadian Sugar Institute: Sandra Marsden, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

It was agreed, – That the brief submitted by Liam McCreery, be taken as read into the record.

At 5:10 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:15 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

It was agreed, – That, the travel plan for the FTAA study, as adopted by the Sub-Committee on February 20, 2002, be amended to reflect the dates of travel as being April 28, 2002 until May 12, 2002.

At 5:30 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Acting Chair: Toni Valeri, Lib.

Meeting No. 27

Thursday, March 21, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Canadian Chamber of Commerce:

Alexander Lofthouse, Policy Analyst;

Clifford Sosnow, Representative, International Affairs Committee.

Canadian Drug Manufacturers Association:

Jim Keon, President.

Coalition for cultural diversity:

Robert Pilon, Executive Vice-President.





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Meeting No. 27

Thursday, March 21, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:39 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the acting Chair, Tony Valeri, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Svend Robinson and Toni Valeri.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the « Coalition pour la diversité culturelle »: Robert Pilon, Executive Vice-President. *From the Canadian Drug Manufacturers Association:* Jim Keon, President. *From the Canadian Chamber of Commerce:* Alexander Lofthouse, Policy Analyst; Clifford Sosnow, Member, Lang Michener.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:55 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 28

Wednesday, April 10, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Canadian Association of University Teachers:

David Robinson, Association Executive Director.

Canadian Bar Association:

Simon V. Potter, First Vice-President.

Canadian Labour Congress:

Pierre Laliberté, Senior Economist.

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Canadian Restaurant and Foodservices Association:

David T. Barlow, Chief Operating Officer, Harvey's, Cara Operations Ltd.; and Chairman,
Government Affairs, Supply and Environment Committee;

Stephanie Jones, Vice-President, Food Supply.

Chicken Farmers of Canada:

Mike Dungate, General Manager.

Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers of Canada:

Paul Spurgeon, Vice-President, Legal Services, and General Counsel;

Gilles Valiquette, President.



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Meeting No. 28

Wednesday, April 10, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Tony Valeri.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Research Officer.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Bar Association: Simon V. Potter, First Vice-President; Tamra L. Thomson, Director, Legislation and Law Reform. *From the Canadian Restaurant and Food Services Association:* David Barlow, Vice-President, Harvey's - Cara Operations Limited; Stephanie Jones, Vice-President, Food Supply, CRFA. *From the Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers of Canada:* Gilles Valiquette, President; Paul Spurgeon, General Counsel. *From the Chicken Farmers of Canada:* Mike Dungate, General Manager. *From the Canadian Association of University Teachers:* David Robinson, Associate Executive Director. *From the Canadian Labour Congress:* Pierre Laliberté, Senior Economist, Social and Economic Policy.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:22 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:25 p.m., the sitting resumed in camera.

At 5:35 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 29

Thursday, April 11, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Canadian Apparel Federation:

Bob Kirke, Executive Director;

Jack Kivenko, Member;

Elliot Lifson, President.

Canadian International Development Agency:

Tim Miller, Senior Analyst, Trade and Development Economic Policy.

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Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food:

Rory McAlpine, Director General, International Trade policy Directorate, Market and Industry Services Branch.

Department of Finance:

Darwin Satherstrom, Chief, Trade in Goods, International Trade Policy Division, International Trade and Finance Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Louis Gionet, Deputy Director, Trade Controls Policy Division, Textiles and Clothing Section;

Brian Morrissey, Director General, Economic Policy Bureau.

Department of Industry:

Rick F.S. Thomas, Director General, Manufacturing Industries Branch.

Union of Needletrades, Industrial and Textile Employees:

John Alleruzzo, President.



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Meeting No. 29

Thursday, April 11, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:43 p.m. this day, in Room 308, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Tony Valeri.

Acting Member present: John Duncan for Rick Casson

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Brian E Morrissey, Director General, Economic Policy Bureau; Ian Burney, Director, Trade Controls Policy Division; Louis Gionet, Deputy Director, Trade Controls Policy Division, Textiles and Clothing Section. *From the Department of Industry:* (Rick) FS Thomas, Director General, Manufacturing Industries Branch. *From the Department of Finance:* Darwin Satherstrom, Chief, Trade in Goods, International Trade Policy Division, International Trade and Finance Branch. *From the Department of Agriculture and Agri-Food:* Rory McAlpine, Director General, International Trade Policy Directorate, Market and Industry Services Branch. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Tim Miller, Sr Analyst- Trade and Development, Economic Policy (YDA). *From the Canadian Apparel Federation:* Bob Kirke, Executive Director; Elliot Lifson, President; Jack Kivenko, Member. *From the Union of Needletrades, Industrial and Textile Employees:* John Alleruzzo, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:02 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:04 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 6:17 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 30

Monday, April 15, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Government Policy Consultants:

Gerry Shannon, Senior Consultant.

Grey, Clark, Shih and Associates Limited:

Peter Clark, President.

International Development Research Centre:

Susan Joeques, Team Leader;

Rohinton Medhora, Vice-President.



«Option Consommateurs»:

Patrick Vanasse, Director of Research, Representations Services.

Retail Council of Canada:

Sharon Maloney, Vice-President.



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Meeting No. 30

Monday, April 15, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 11:00 a.m. this day, in Room 237-C, Centre Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Bob Speller and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: Richard Marceau for Pierre Paquette.

Attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: From the International Development Research Centre: Dr. Rohinton Medhora, Vice President, Programs and Partnership; Dr. Susan Joeke, Team Leader. From Grey, Clark, Shih and Associates Limited: Peter Clark, President. From the Government Policy Consultants: Gerry Shannon, Senior Consultant. From the Retail Council of Canada: Sharon Maloney, Vice President. From "Option Consommateurs": Patrick Vanasse, Director of Research, Representation Services; Delphine Nakache.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 27).

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:33 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 31

Wednesday, April 17, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

Andrea Lyon, Director, Tariffs and Market Access Division.

Grey, Clark, Shih And Associates Limited:

Peter Clark, President.





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Meeting No. 31

Wednesday, April 17, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:41 p.m. this day, in Room 269, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien and Tony Valeri.

Acting Member present: Francine Lalonde for Pierre Paquette.

Other Member present: John Duncan.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Michael Holden and Jan Sinha, Research Officers.
From the House of Commons, Legislative Services: Jean-Michel Roy, Legislative Clerk.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: Ray Boomgaardt, Special Counsel, Trade Law Division; Andrea Lyon, Director, Tariffs and Market Access Division. *From the Department of Finance:* Guillaume Cliche, International Relations Officer, Trade Remedies and General Trade Relations. *From the Grey, Clark, Shih and Associates Limited:* Peter Clark, President.

The Order of Reference dated Thursday, April 11, 2002, being now read as follows:

Ordered, – That Bill C-50, An Act to amend certain Acts as a result of the accession of the People's Republic of China to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization, be referred to the Sub-committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment.

The Chair called Clause 1.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

Clauses 1 through 26 carried severally.

The Title carried.

The Bill carried.

ORDERED, – That the Chair report Bill C-50, An Act to amend certain Acts as a result of the accession of the People's Republic of China to the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization, without amendments to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade as the Tenth Report of the Sub-Committee.

At 4:07 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:21 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an assessment of WTO negotiating

issues from a Canadian perspective, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The Sub-Committee proceeded to study its draft report on the assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective.

At 6:06 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 32

Wednesday, April 24, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: Murray Calder for Bob Speller, Joe Peschisolido for Tony Valeri.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Michael Holden, and Jay Sinha, Research Officers.

The Sub-Committee considered a draft report on an assessment of WTO negotiating issues from a Canadian perspective.

It was agreed, - That the draft report be adopted, as amended, as the Eleventh Report of the Sub-Committee.

It was agreed, - That the title of the report be:

“Building an Effective New Round of WTO Negotiations: Key Issues for Canada”

It was agreed, - That the chair, researchers and clerks be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.

It was agreed, - That the chair be instructed to present the Eleventh Report of the Sub-Committee to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 33

Wednesday, May 22, 2002

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Study of an examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas

WITNESS:

Parliament of Bangladesh:

Muhammad Jamiruddin Sircar, Speaker.





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Meeting No. 33

Wednesday, May 22, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: Francine Lalonde for Pierre Paquette.

Other Members present: John Duncan.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Witnesses: Hon. Muhammad Jamiruddin Sircar, M.P., Speaker of the Parliament of Bangladesh; Mr. Al-Hajj Md. Jahed Ali Chowdhury, M.P., Whip, Member of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party; Mr. Al-haj Abdul Alim, M.P., Member of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party; Mr. M. Ilias Ali, M.P., Member of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party; Mr. Nasimul Ghani, Private Secretary to the Speaker; His Excellency Mohsin Ali Khan, High Commissioner of the People's Republic of Bangladesh; Mr. Abdul Hannan, Minister and Deputy Chief of High Commission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

By unanimous consent, the Sub-Committee proceeded to meet with a delegation of parliamentarians from Bangladesh.

At 4:04 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:09 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The Sub-Committee considered a draft report on the examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas.

At 5:08 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson
Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Wednesday, May 29, 2002

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Meeting No. 34

Wednesday, May 29, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 307, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Pierre Paquette, Svend Robinson, Tony Valeri.

Acting Member present: John Duncan for Rick Casson.

In attendance: From the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Research Officers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Sub-Committee resumed its study of an examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas, (See Minutes of Proceedings of Wednesday, January 30, 2002, Meeting no. 17).

The Sub-Committee considered a draft report on the examination of the Free Trade Area of the Americas in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and the Americas.

It was agreed, - That the draft report be adopted, as amended, as the Twelfth Report of the Sub-Committee.

It was agreed, - That the title of the report be:

“Strengthening Canada’s Economic Links with the Americas”

It was agreed, - That the chair, researchers and clerks be authorized to make such typographical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.

It was agreed, - That the chair be instructed to present the Twelfth Report of the Sub-Committee to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

At 4:31 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Mike MacPherson
Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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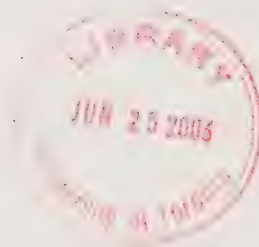
Meeting No. 1

Thursday, November 28, 2002

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chair and Vice-Chairs

Future business





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Meeting No. 1

Thursday, November 28, 2002

The Sub-Committee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 9:40 a.m. this day, in Room 536, Wellington Building.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Bill Casey, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Bob Speller.

Acting Member present: Jason Kenney for Rick Casson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, analysts.

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(1), Election of a Chair.

The Clerk presided over the election of a Chair.

On motion of Pat O'Brien, it was agreed, - That Mac Harb be elected as Chair of the Sub-Committee.

On motion of Mark Eyking, it was agreed, - That Stéphane Bergeron be elected as Vice-Chair of the Sub-Committee.

On motion of Bob Speller, it was agreed, - That Mark Eyking be elected as Vice-Chair of the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee proceeded to future business.

On motion of Stéphane Bergeron, it was agreed, - That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least three (3) members are present, including a member of the Opposition.

On motion of Stéphane Bergeron, it was agreed, - That witnesses be given ten (10) minutes for their opening statement and, that during the questioning of witnesses, there be allocated ten (10) minutes for each questioner, at the discretion of the Chair.

On motion of Stéphane Bergeron, it was agreed, - That the Sub-Committee seek authority to travel to the Asia-Pacific region in the spring of 2003.

At 9:55 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Chair: Mac Harb, Lib.

Meeting No. 2

Wednesday, February 5, 2003



ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

APPEARING:

Honourable David Kilgour, Secretary of State (Asia-Pacific)

WITNESSES:

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

David Mulroney, Assistant Deputy Minister, Portfolio Asia-Pacific;

Ken Sunquist, Director General, Trade Commissioner Service, Overseas Programs and Services.



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Meeting No. 2

Wednesday, February 5, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Acting Chair, Pat O'Brien, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Bill Casey, Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Pat O'Brien, Svend Robinson, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Murray Calder for Tony Valeri, Suzanne Tremblay for Stéphanie Bergeron and Raymond Simard for Mac Harb.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Marcus Pistor, Analysts.

Appearing: From the House of Commons: The Hon. David Kilgour, Secretary of State (Asia-Pacific).

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: David Mulroney, Assistant Deputy Minister, Portfolio: Asia-Pacific; Ken Sunquist, Director General, Trade Commissioner Service Overseas Programs and Services.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

The Secretary of State made an opening statement and, with the witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 3

Wednesday, February 12, 2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

Future business in camera

WITNESSES:

Canadian International Development Agency:

Raymond Drouin, Program Manager, Industrial Cooperation Division;

Brian Hunter, Senior Economist;

Jonathan Rothschild, Senior Economist, Policy Branch.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade:

David Mulroney, Assistant Deputy Minister, Portfolio Asia-Pacific.

Department of Industry:

John Banigan, Assistant Deputy Minister, Industry Sector;

John Klassen, Executive Director, Investment Partnerships Canada.



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Meeting No. 3

Wednesday, February 12, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Bill Casey, Rick Casson, Mac Harb, Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Raymond Simard for Tony Valeri, Murray Calder for Pat O'Brien.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: From the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade: David Mulroney, Assistant Deputy Minister, Portfolio: Asia-Pacific. *From the Department of Industry:* John M. Banigan, Assistant Deputy Minister, Industry Sector; John Klassen, Executive Director, Investment Partnerships Canada. *From the Canadian International Development Agency:* Brian Hunter, Senior Economist; Jonathan Rothschild, Senior Economist, Policy Branch; Raymond Drouin, Program Manager, Industrial Cooperation Division.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

David Mulroney, Brian Hunter, John Banigan and John Klassen made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:03 o'clock p.m., the Subcommittee proceeded to an *in camera* meeting.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

It was agreed, - That the travel budget for Asia, in the amount of \$198,492.10, be adopted.

At 5:25 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 4

Wednesday, February 19, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

WITNESS:

Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada:

John Wiebe, President and CEO.



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Meeting No. 4

Wednesday, February 19, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Bill Casey, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Bob Speller, Tony Valeri.

Other Members present: John Duncan, Murray Calder, Raymond Simard.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

Witness: From the Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada: John Wiebe, President and CEO.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

John Wiebe made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 4:45 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 5

Wednesday, February 26, 2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

WITNESSES:

Canadian Wireless Telecommunications:

Peter Barnes, President and Chief Executive Officer;

Charles Bergeron, Director of Government Affairs.

Export Development Canada:

Stephen Poloz, Vice-President and Chief Economist;

Henry Souquières, Vice-President, International Markets.

Hong Kong-Canada Business Association:

Mitch Kowalski, Vice-President.





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Meeting No. 5

Wednesday, February 26, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Rick Casson, Mac Harb.

Acting Members present: Murray Calder for Mark Eyking and Raymond Simard for Bob Speller.

Other Member present: John Duncan

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Analysts.

Witnesses: From the Export Development Canada: Stephen Poloz, Vice-President and Chief Economist; Henri Souquières, Vice-Président, International Markets. *From the Hong Kong-Canada Business Association:* Mitch Kowalski, Vice-President. *From the Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association:* Peter Barnes, President and Chief Executive Officer; Charles Bergeron, Director of Government Affairs.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

Peter Barnes, Stephen Poloz, Henri Souquières and Mitch Kowalski made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:05 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:07 p.m., the sitting was resumed *in camera*.

The Subcommittee proceeded to future business.

At 5:20 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, March 19, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

WITNESSES:

Bombardier International:

Robert Greenhill, President and Chief Operating Officer.

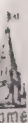
Grain Growers of Canada:

Ken Bee, President;

Cam Dahl, Executive Director.

University of Toronto:

Wendy Dobson, Professor, International Business, Director, Institute for International Business.



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Meeting No. 6

Wednesday, March 19, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:45 p.m. this day, in Room 209, West Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Mark Eyking, Mac Harb, Pat O'Brien, Bob Speller.

Attending Members present: Murray Calder for Tony Valeri; John Duncan for Rick Casson.

Attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: From Bombardier International: Robert Greenhill, President and Chief Operating Officer. From Grain Growers of Canada: Ken Bee, President; Cam Dahl, Executive Director. From the University of Toronto: Wendy Dobson, Professor of International Business, Director, Institute for International Business.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

Robert Greenhill, Ken Bee and Wendy Dobson made opening statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 5:25 p.m., the Sub-Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 7

Wednesday, April 2, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

WITNESSES:

Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance:

Patty Townsend, Executive Director.

Canadian Chamber of Commerce:

Robert Keyes, Vice-President, International Division.

Vancouver Port Authority:

Gordon Chu, Director, Transportation and Trade Policy.



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Meeting No. 7

Wednesday, April 2, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:43 p.m. this day, in Room 371, West Block, the Vice-Chair, Stéphane Bergeron, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Rick Casson, Mark Eyking, Pat O'Brien.

Other Members present: Murray Calder and Raymond Simard.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Analysts.

Witnesses: From the Canadian Chamber of Commerce: Robert Keyes, Vice-President, International Division. *From the Vancouver Port Authority:* Gordon Chu, Director, Transportation and Trade Policy. *From the Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance:* Patty Townsend, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 5:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 8

Wednesday, April 9, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

WITNESSES:

Via videoconference

Coast Forest & Lumber Association:

Ken McKeen, Consultant.

Comox CanadAsia Business Society:

Ian Cheng, President;

Ken Ing, Member.



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Meeting No. 8

Wednesday, April 9, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 5:40 p.m., via videoconference with Vancouver BC, this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Acting Chair, John Duncan, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Rick Casson, Mac Harb.

Acting Members present: Raymond Simard for Tony Valeri; Murray Calder for Pat O'Brien.

Other Member present: John Duncan.

In attendance: From the Parliamentary Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Marcus Pistor, Analyst.

Witnesses: From the Comox CanadAsia Business Society: Ian Cheng, President; Ken Ing, Member.

From the Coast Forest & Lumber Association: Ken McKeen, Consultant.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

The witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 7:13 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Meeting No. 9

Wednesday, June 4, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia

WITNESSES:

Conference Board of Canada:

Charles Barrett, Vice-President, Business Research;

David MacDuff, Special Advisor/Senior Writer.





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Meeting No. 9

Wednesday, June 4, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:53 p.m. this day, in Room 362, East Block, the Chair, Mac Harb, presiding.

Members of the Sub-Committee present: Mark Eyking, Mac Harb.

Acting Members present: Raymond Simard for Pat O'Brien and John Duncan for Rick Casson.

In attendance: From the Research Branch of the Library of Parliament: Peter Berg and Michael Holden, Analysts.

Witnesses: From the Conference Board of Canada: Charles Barrett, Vice-President, Business Research; David MacDuff, Special Advisor / Senior Writer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

Charles Barrett made an opening statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 4:33 o'clock p.m., the Subcommittee reverted to an *in camera* meeting.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of future business.

At 4:35 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Sub-Committee

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Meeting No. 10

Wednesday, October 22, 2003

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Election of a Chair and Vice-Chair





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Meeting No. 10

Wednesday, October 22, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:31 p.m. this day, in Room 536 Wellington Building, for the purpose of electing a Chair.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Bill Blaikie, Charlie Penson, Raymond Simard and Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: Bernard Bigras for Stéphane Bergeron, Rick Borotsik for Bill Casey, Alan Tonks for Mark Eyking and Joseph Volpe for Tony Valeri.

Other Members present: John Duncan.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 106(2), the Committee proceeded to the election of the Chair and Vice-Chairs.

The Clerk of the Subcommittee presided over the election of the Chair.

On motion of Alan Tonks, it was agreed, — That Mark Eyking be elected Chair of the Subcommittee, *in absentia*.

On motion of Bob Speller, it was agreed, — That Raymond Simard be elected as Vice-Chair of the Subcommittee.

On motion of Bernard Bigras, it was agreed, — That Stéphane Bergeron be elected as Vice-Chair of the Subcommittee, *in absentia*.

At 3:41 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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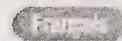
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Chair: Mark Eyking, Lib.

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Wednesday, October 29, 2003

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Meeting No. 11

Wednesday, October 29, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 536 Wellington Building, the Chair, Mark Eyking, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Bill Blaikie, Murray Calder, Mark Eyking, Raymond Simard, Bob Speller and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: John Duncan for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

The Subcommittee commenced consideration of a draft report.

At 5:33 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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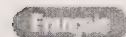
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Thursday, October 30, 2003

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Meeting No. 12

Thursday, October 30, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 8:51 a.m. this day, in Room 536 Wellington Building, the Chair, Mark Eyking, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Mark Eyking and Raymond Simard.

Acting Members present: John Duncan for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

The Subcommittee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 10:31 a.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 13

Tuesday, November 4, 2003

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Meeting No. 13

Tuesday, November 4, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:31 p.m. this day, in Room 536 Wellington Building, the Chair, Mark Eyking, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Mark Eyking and Raymond Simard.

Acting Members present: Larry Bagnell for Tony Valeri and John Duncan for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

The Subcommittee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 5:25 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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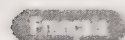
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Chair: Mark Eyking, Lib.

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Wednesday, November 5, 2003

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Meeting No. 14

Wednesday, November 5, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 12:44 p.m. this day, in Room 362 East Block, the Chair, Mark Eyking, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Mark Eyking, Raymond Simard and Bob Speller.

Acting Members present: John Duncan for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

The Subcommittee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 2:05 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 15

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Meeting No. 15

Wednesday, November 5, 2003

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 536 Wellington Building, the Chair, Mark Eyking, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Stéphane Bergeron, Murray Calder, Mark Eyking, Raymond Simard, Bob Speller and Tony Valeri.

Acting Members present: John Duncan for Charlie Penson.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), Examination in view of strengthening economic relations between Canada and Asia.

The Subcommittee resumed consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed, — That the Chair, Clerk and researchers be authorized to make such grammatical and editorial changes as may be necessary without changing the substance of the report.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee append to its report dissenting opinions from the NDP and Canadian Alliance and a supplementary opinion from the Bloc Québécois.

It was agreed, — That the report of the Subcommittee be concurred in.

It was agreed, — That the Chair present the report to the Standing Committee at the earliest date possible.

At 4:46 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2003/11/06 11:03 a.m.

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND
INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, November 2, 2004

ORDER OF THE DAY:

The Clerk of the Subcommittee presided over the election of a Chair and Vice-Chair

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis
Hon. Mark Eyking
Peter Julian
Ted Menzies
Pierre A. Paquette
Belinda Stronach

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Derek Lee for Hon. Marlene Jennings

IN ATTENDANCE:

House of Commons:
Stephen Knowles, Legislative Clerk.

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:
Peter Berg, Analyst;

Michael Holden, Analyst.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, November 2, 2004

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:36 p.m. this day, in Room 208 West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 106(1).

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

Acting Members present: Derek Lee for Hon. Marlene Jennings.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

The Clerk of the Subcommittee presided over the election of a Chair.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee schedule its meeting on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m..

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee retain the services of one or more analyst(s) from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Subcommittee in its work, at the discretion of the Chair.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee invite Officials from Foreign Affairs and International Trade to brief the Subcommittee on Canada-U.S. relations and emerging markets.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee invite the Minister of International Trade to brief the Subcommittee on various issues.

It was agreed, — That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least two (2) members are present including a member of the opposition.

It was agreed, — That the length of witnesses opening statements and the time allocated to rounds of questioning be at the discretion of the Chair.

On motion of Derek Lee, it was agreed, — That, except for amendments to bills, twenty-four (24) hours' notice be given before any substantive motion is considered by the Subcommittee; and That the motion be filed with the Clerk of the Subcommittee and circulated to members in both official languages. Upon receipt of the notice, the Clerk shall put the motion on the agenda of the Subcommittee's next meeting..

At 4:23 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004-11-03 3:17 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, November 16, 2004

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee commenced its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues

The Subcommittee proceeded to discuss its future business

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis
Hon. Mark Eyking
Peter Julian
Pierre A. Paquette
Belinda Stronach

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Privy Council Office:

Graham Flack, Director of Operations, Borders Task Force;
Sara Wiebe, Policy Analyst, Borders Task Force.

International Trade Canada:

Stephen De Boer, Acting Director, Investment Trade Policy;
Paul Robertson, Director, Trade Remedies Division.

Stephen Knowles
Committee Clerk



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Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, November 16, 2004

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Peter Julian, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

Acting Members present: Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Privy Council Office: Graham Flack, Director of Operations, Borders Task Force; Sara Wiebe, Policy Analyst, Borders Task Force. *International Trade Canada:* Paul Robertson, Director, Trade Remedies Division; Stephen De Boer, Acting Director, Investment Trade Policy.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), and the motion of November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee commenced its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues.

Graham Flack and Paul Robertson made statements and, with Stephen de Boer, answered questions.

At 5:15 p.m., the Subcommittee proceeded to discuss its future business.

The Subcommittee considered a Proposal Work Plan November-December 2004 prepared by the Committee Analyst.

After discussion, the proposed Work Plan was adopted as amended.

At 5:22 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Committee Clerk

2004/11/19 9:09 a.m.

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Chair: John Cannis.

Meeting No. 3

Tuesday, November 23, 2004

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee [commenced / resumed] its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings
and Pierre A. Paquette.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brian Masse for Peter Julian,
Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies,
and Jeff Watson for Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Trucking Alliance:

David Bradley, Chief Executive Officer;
Ron Lennox, Vice-President, Regulatory Affairs.

Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance :

Patrick Whalen, Executive Board Member.

Canadian Vehicle Manufacturers' Association:

Matthew Wilson, Manager, Consumer & Industry Affairs.

David Bradley, Matthew Wilson and Patrick Whelan made statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 3

Tuesday, November 23, 2004

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:33 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N, Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Brian Masse for Peter Julian, Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies and Jeff Watson for Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Canadian Trucking Alliance: David Bradley, Chief Executive Officer; Ron Lennox, Vice-President, Regulatory Affairs. *Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance :* Patrick Whalen, Executive Board Member. *Canadian Vehicle Manufacturers' Association:* Matthew Wilson, Manager, Consumer & Industry Affairs.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues - Border Issues.

It was agreed, — That the budget in the amount of \$9,400.00 be presented to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade for adoption.

David Bradley, Matthew Wilson and Patrick Whelan made statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 5:29 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004-11-25 3:50 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 4

Tuesday, November 30, 2004

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee commenced its study of the Removal of Textiles & Clothing Quotas

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis
Hon. Mark Eyking
Peter Julian
Ted Menzies
Pierre A. Paquette
Belinda Stronach

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Paul Crête for Pierre A. Paquette

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:
Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Apparel Federation:

Elliot Lifson, President;

Bob Kirke, Executive Director;

Richard Wagner, Legal Counsel, Ogilvy & Renault, Barristers
and Solicitors.

Canadian Textiles Institute:

Harvey Penner, Chairman;

Elizabeth Siwicki, President;

Lucie Brassard, Director, Government Relations, Consoltex Inc..

Department of Finance:

Emmy Verdun, Director, International Trade Policy Division.

Harvey Penner and Elliot Lifson made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 4

Tuesday, November 30, 2004

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

Acting Members present: Paul Crête for Pierre A. Paquette.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

Witnesses: Canadian Apparel Federation: Elliot Lifson, President; Bob Kirke, Executive Director; Richard Wagner, Legal Counsel, Ogilvy & Renault, Barristers and Solicitors. *Canadian Textiles Institute:* Harvey Penner, Chairman; Elizabeth Siwicki, President; Lucie Brassard, Director, Government Relations, Consoltex Inc.. *Department of Finance:* Emmy Verdun, Director, International Trade Policy Division.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee commenced its study of the Removal of Textiles & Clothing Quotas.

Harvey Penner and Elliot Lifson made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:02 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004-12-01 11:46 a.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, December 7, 2004

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues – Disputes and Dispute Settlement

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis
Hon. Marlene Jennings
Peter Julian
Ted Menzies
Pierre A. Paquette
Belinda Stronach

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Free Trade Lumber Council:
Carl Grenier, Executive Vice-President;
Karl Neubert, Secretary/Treasurer.

Quebec Forest Industry Council:
Georges Courteau, President.

Canadian Lumber Trade Alliance:
Marc Boutin, Member.

Stephen Knowles
Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, December 7, 2004

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met in a televised session at 9:40 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Peter Berg, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Free Trade Lumber Council: Carl Grenier, Executive Vice-President & CEO; Karl Neubert, Secretary/Treasurer. *Quebec Forest Industry Council:* Georges Courteau, President. *Canadian Lumber Trade Alliance:* Marc Boutin, Member.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues - Disputes and Dispute Settlement

Carl Grenier, Georges Courteau and Marc Boutin made statements and answered questions.

At 11:05 a.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Stephen Knowles
Committee Clerk

2004-12-21 12:17 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis.

Meeting No. 6

Tuesday, December 7, 2004

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee [commenced / resumed] its study on Canadian Trade Issues.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian,
Ted Menzies,
Pierre A. Paquette
and Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

APPEARING:

Hon. Jim Peterson, Minister of International Trade.

WITNESSES:

Department of International Trade Canada:

Robert Fonberg, Deputy Minister of International Trade;
Ken Sunquist, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business
and Chief Trade Commissioner.

The Minister and Ken Sunquist made opening statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee



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Meeting No. 6

Tuesday, December 7, 2004

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:55 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Peter Berg, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Appearing: Hon. Jim Peterson, Minister of International Trade.

Witnesses: Department of International Trade Canada: Robert Fonberg, Deputy Minister of International Trade; Ken Sunquist, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Business and Chief Trade Commissioner.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee commenced its study on Canadian Trade Issues.

The Minister and Ken Sunquist made opening statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 5:25 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004-12-08 3:25 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 7

Tuesday, December 14, 2004

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues – Disputes and Dispute Settlement

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis
Hon. Marlene Jennings
Peter Julian
Ted Menzies
Pierre A. Paquette
Belinda Stronach

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rick Casson for Belinda Stronach,
Gary Lunn for Belinda Stronach,
Lynn Myers for Hon. Mark Eyking

OTHER MEMBER PRESENT:

Gary Lunn

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Dairy Farmers of Canada:

Yves Leduc, Director, International Trade;
Bruce Saunders, First Vice-President.

Canadian Pork Council:

Edouard Asnong, Chair, Trade Actions Reference Group;
Martin Rice, Executive Director.

Canadian Cattlemen for Fair Trade:

Jack de Boer, Vice-Chair;
Rick Paskal, Chairman.

Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance:

Sandra Marsden, Member, Board of Directors;
Liam McCreery, President.

Canadian Wheat Board:

Victor Jarjour, Vice-President, Strategic Planning and Corporate
Policy.

Canadian Federation of Agriculture:

Bob Friesen, President.

Bruce Saunders, Edouard Asnong, Martin Rice, Rick Paskal, Liam McCreery, Sandra Marsden, Victor Jarjour and Bob Friesen made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 7

Tuesday, December 14, 2004

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:30 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

Acting Members present: Rick Casson for Belinda Stronach, Gary Lunn for Belinda Stronach and Lynn Myers for Hon. Mark Eyking.

Other Members present: Gary Lunn.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Dairy Farmers of Canada: Bruce Saunders, First Vice-President; Yves Leduc, Director, International Trade. *Canadian Pork Council:* Edouard Asnong, Chair, Trade Actions Reference Group; Martin Rice, Executive Director. *Canadian Cattlemen for Fair Trade:* Rick Paskal, Chairman; Jack de Boer, Vice-Chair. *Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance:* Liam McCreery, President; Sandra Marsden, Member, Board of Directors. *Canadian Wheat Board:* Victor Jarjour, Vice-President, Strategic Planning and Corporate Policy. *Canadian Federation of Agriculture:* Bob Friesen, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues - Disputes and Dispute Settlement

Bruce Saunders, Edouard Asnong, Martin Rice, Rick Paskal, Liam McCreery, Sandra Marsden, Victor Jarjour and Bob Friesen made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

At 5:32 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:33 p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 5:40 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2004-12-15 11:54 a.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 8

Tuesday, February 1, 2005

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Meeting No. 8

Tuesday, February 1, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:34 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

Attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Peter Berg, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Golden, Analyst.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

It was agreed, — That the research staff circulate a new draft schedule for the next meeting.

At 4:56 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-02-02 4:47 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, February 8, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Ted Menzies,
Pierre A. Paquette
and Belinda Stronach.

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Charlie Angus for Peter Julian.

OTHER MEMBER PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:

Peter Berg, Analyst;
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, February 8, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:39 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Mark Eyking, Marlene Jennings, Ted Menzies, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

Acting Members present: Charlie Angus for Peter Julian.

Other Members present: Johanne Deschamps.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Peter Berg, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

Ken Sunquist made an opening statement and answered questions.

At 5:18 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-02-09 3:01 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 10

Tuesday, February 15, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Peter Julian,
Ted Menzies
and Pierre A. Paquette.

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Michael John Savage for Hon. Marlene Jennings.

OTHER MEMBER PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:

Peter Berg, Analyst;
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Export Development Canada:

Eric Siegel, Executive Vice-President, Medium- & Long-Term
Financial Services;
Stephen Poloz, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist.

Department of Industry:

Frank Vermaeten, Director General, International and
Intergovernmental Affairs Branch;
Marcie Girouard, Acting Director General, Sustainable
Technologies and Service Industries Branch.

Canadian Commercial Corporation:

Hugh O'Donnell, President;
Tom DeWolf, Director, Market Opportunity Development.

Department of Citizenship and Immigration:

Rénald Gilbert, Director, Economic Policy and Programs,
Selection Branch.

Eric Siegel, Stephen Poloz and Hugh O'Donnell made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 10

Tuesday, February 15, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Michael John Savage for Hon. Marlene Jennings.

Other Members present: Johanne Deschamps.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Export Development Canada: Eric Siegel, Executive Vice-President, Medium- & Long-Term Financial Services; Stephen Poloz, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist. *Department of Industry:* Frank Vermaeten, Director General, International and Intergovernmental Affairs Branch; Marcie Girouard, Acting Director General, Sustainable Technologies and Service Industries Branch. *Canadian Commercial Corporation:* Hugh O'Donnell, President; Tom DeWolf, Director, Market Opportunity Development. *Department of Citizenship and Immigration:* Rénaud Gilbert, Director, Economic Policy and Programs, Selection Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

Eric Siegel, Stephen Poloz and Hugh O'Donnell made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:27 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-02-25 3:06 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis. Lib.

Meeting No. 11

Wednesday, February 16, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee [commenced / resumed] its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian
and Ted Menzies.

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parliamentary Information and Research Service:
Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Executive Commission of the Mexican Action Network on Free Trade:
Alejandro Villamar (Calderon), Professor at several Mexican
Universities, Expert on Investor-State cases in Mexico.

Common Frontiers:
Rickard Arnold, Coordinator.

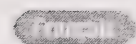
KAIROS (Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives):
Rusa Jeremic, Program Coordinator.

Réseau québécois sur l'intégration continental:
Rémi Bachand;
Normand Pépin.

Canadian Union of Postal Workers:
Deborah Bourque, President, National President of the National
Executive Committee.

Canadian Labour Congress:
Pierre Laliberté, Principal Economist.

James M. Latimer
Committee Clerk



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Meeting No. 11

Wednesday, February 16, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:32 p.m. this day, in Room 269 West Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian and Ted Menzies.

Acting Members present: Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette.

In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

Witnesses: Executive Commission of the Mexican Action Network on Free Trade: Alejandro Villamar (Calderon), Professor at several Mexican Universities, Expert on Investor-State cases in Mexico.

Common Frontiers: Rickard Arnold, Coordinator. *KAIROS (Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives):* Rusa Jeremic, Program Coordinator. *Réseau québécois sur l'intégration continental:* Rémi Bachand; Normand Pépin. *Canadian Union of Postal Workers:* Deborah Bourque, President, National President of the National Executive Committee. *Canadian Labour Congress:* Pierre Laliberté, Principal Economist.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues - NAFTA Chapter 11

Alejandro Villamar (Calderon) made a statement and answered questions by conference call.

The other witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:23 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:26 p.m., the sitting resumed.

By unanimous consent, Peter Julian moved, — That the Subcommittee recommend to the Standing Committee Foreign Affairs and International Trade that the Standing Committee undertake a comprehensive review of Chapters 11 and 19 of NAFTA before the NAFTA summit in Spring 2005.

Debate arose thereon.

Marlene Jennings moved, — That the motion be amended by deleting the words “before the NAFTA summit in Spring 2005”.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Marlene Jennings and it was agreed to.

After debate, the question was put on the motion, as amended, and it was agreed to.

At 5:29 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

James M. Latimer
Committee Clerk

2005-02-24 5:36 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 12

Monday, February 21, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis
Hon. Mark Eyking
Hon. Marlene Jennings
Ted Menzies
Belinda Stronach.

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst;
Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Embassy in Saudi Arabia:

Roderick Bell, Ambassador.

Canadian Embassy in United Arab Emirates:

David Hutton, Ambassador.

Canadian Embassy in Kuwait:

Denis Thibault, Ambassador.

Canada-Arab Business Council:

Dwain Lingenfelter, Chairman and CEO, Vice President,
Government Relations, Nexen Inc.;

Mohamed Azzam, President, President-Containboard, G.A. Paper
International Inc.;

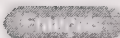
Richard Mann, Director General.

Cansult Limited:

Peter Ventin, Resident Manager and Vice-President.

The Ambassadors, Dwain Lingenfelter and Peter Ventin made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee



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Meeting No. 12

Monday, February 21, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:36 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Ted Menzies and Belinda Stronach.

Acting Members present: Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

Witnesses: Canadian Embassy in Saudi Arabia: Roderick Bell, Ambassador. *Canadian Embassy in United Arab Emirates:* David Hutton, Ambassador. *Canadian Embassy in Kuwait:* Denis Thibault, Ambassador. *Canada-Arab Business Council:* Dwain Lingenfelter, Chairman and CEO, Vice President, Government Relations, Nexen Inc.; Mohamed Azzam President, President-Containboard, G.A. Paper International Inc.; Richard Mann, Director General. *Cansult Limited:* Peter Ventin, Resident Manager and Vice-President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy - Middle East.

The Ambassadors, Dwain Lingenfelter and Peter Ventin made opening statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:16 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-02-25 4:19 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 13

Tuesday, February 22, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian,
Ted Menzies
and Pierre A. Paquette.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Duncan for Belinda Stronach.

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:

Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst;
Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Department of International Trade Canada:

Elaine Feldman, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Trade
Policy and Negotiations.

Quebec Forest Industry Council:

Marc P. Boutin, Director, International Trade.

As an Individual:

Carl Grenier.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 13

Tuesday, February 22, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:33 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: John Duncan for Belinda Stronach.

Other Members present: Johanne Deschamps.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

Witnesses: Department of International Trade Canada: Elaine Feldman, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Trade Policy and Negotiations. *Quebec Forest Industry Council:* Marc P. Boutin, Director, International Trade. *As an Individual:* Carl Grenier.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues - Softwood Lumber

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee adopt the draft budgets for travel to Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto, Halifax and Montreal and that the Chair present the final budgets to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

It was agreed, — That the Members use their personal travel points to defray the costs of travel and that the savings be reported to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade and the Budget Subcommittee of the Liaison Committee.

At 5:18 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-02-24 3:25 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 14

Tuesday, March 8, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian,
Ted Menzies,
Pierre A. Paquette
and Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Baker & Hostetler:

Elliott Feldman.

Cassels, Brock & Blackwell LLP:

Lawrence L. Herman, Counsel, International Trade.

Goodmans LLP:

Jon R. Johnson.

University of Ottawa:

Donald McRae, Hyman Soloway Professor of Business and Trade
law.

McCarthy Tétrault LLP:

Simon V. Potter, Partner.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee



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Meeting No. 14

Thursday, March 8, 2005

Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs
International Trade met at 3:39 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted
Lizias, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

Attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: *Baker & Hostetler:* Elliott Feldman. *Cassels, Brock & Blackwell LLP:* Lawrence L. Herman, Counsel,
International Trade. *Goodmans LLP:* Jon R. Johnson. *University of Ottawa:* Donald McRae, Hyman Soloway Professor of
Business and Trade law. *McCarthy Tétrault LLP:* Simon V. Potter, Partner.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the
committee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues - NAFTA Chapter 19.

Witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:29 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
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2005/03/24 9:58 a.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 15

Wednesday, March 9, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking
and Hon. Marlene Jennings.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette,
and Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Chamber of Commerce:

Robert Keyes, Vice-President, International Division;
Clifford Sosnow, Partner, Blakes, Cassells & Graydon.

Railway Association of Canada:

Chris Jones, Director, Federal/Provincial Government Liaison;
Robert Taylor, Director, Federal Government Affairs, Canadian
Pacific Railway.

Robert Keyes and Chris Jones made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 15

Wednesday, March 9, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:40 p.m. this day, in Room 269 West Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking and Hon. Marlene Jennings.

Acting Members present: Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette and Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Canadian Chamber of Commerce: Robert Keyes, Vice-President, International Division; Clifford Sosnow, Partner, Blakes, Cassells & Graydon. *Railway Association of Canada:* Chris Jones, Director, Federal/Provincial Government Liaison; Robert Taylor, Director, Federal Government Affairs, Canadian Pacific Railway.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

Robert Keyes and Chris Jones made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 5:13 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 16

Tuesday, March 22, 2005

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian
and Ted Menzies.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette,
and Deepak Obhrai for Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:

Peter Berg, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Forest Products Association of Canada:

Avrim Lazar, President and Chief Executive Officer;

W. Joel Neuheimer, Director, International Affairs.

Canadian Fertilizer Institute:

Clyde Graham, Vice President, Strategy and Alliances.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 16

Tuesday, March 22, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian and Ted Menzies.

Acting Members present: Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette and Deepak Obhrai for Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst.

Witnesses: Forest Products Association of Canada: Avrim Lazar, President and Chief Executive Officer; W. Joel Neuheimer, Director, International Affairs. *Canadian Fertilizer Institute:* Clyde Graham, Vice President, Strategy and Alliances.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 4:49 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:54 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

On motion of Marlene Jennings, it was agreed, — That the Liaison Committee be requested to transfer the necessary funds from the international travel envelope into the domestic travel envelope as to enable the Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Dispute and Investment to visit various cities in Canada for the period ending August 2005, in relation to its ongoing study of emerging markets and Canada-US relations.

At 5:19 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005/03/23 11:54 a.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 17

Wednesday, March 23, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee [commenced / resumed] its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian,
Ted Menzies
and Pierre A. Paquette.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deepak Obhrai for Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Labour Congress:

Pierre Laliberté, Senior Economist, Social & Economic Policy.

Canadian Council for International Cooperation:

Gauri Sreenivasan, Trade Policy Officer.

Amnesty International Canada:

Alex Neve, Secretary General, English Speaking Section.

Andrew Bartholomew Chaplin
Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 17

Wednesday, March 23, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:41 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Deepak Obhrai for Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Blayne Haggart, Analyst.

Witnesses: Canadian Labour Congress: Pierre Laliberté, Senior Economist, Social & Economic Policy.
Canadian Council for International Cooperation: Gauri Sreenivasan, Trade Policy Officer. *Amnesty International Canada:* Alex Neve, Secretary General, English Speaking Section.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:29 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Andrew Bartholomew Chaplin
Committee Clerk

2005/03/24 4:53 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 18

Tuesday, April 5, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian,
Pierre A. Paquette
and Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Centre for Trade Policy and Law of Carleton University:
William Dymond, Senior Executive Fellow.

Bank of Canada:

John Murray, Adviser to the Governor.

Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance:

Liam McCreery, President;

Patty Townsend, Executive Director.

Andrew Bartholomew Chaplin
Committee Clerk

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Meeting No. 18

Tuesday, April 5, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:37 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Centre for Trade Policy and Law of Carleton University: William Dymond, Senior Executive Fellow. *Bank of Canada:* John Murray, Adviser to the Governor. *Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance:* Liam McCreery, President; Patty Townsend, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

John Murray and Liam McCreery made statements and answered questions.

At 17:24, the Subcommittee proceeded, *in camera*, to the consideration of Subcommittee business.

At 5:27 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Andrew Bartholomew Chaplin
Committee Clerk

2005-04-06 12:48 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis. Lib.

Meeting No. 19

Monday, April 11, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee [commenced / resumed] its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking
and Hon. Marlene Jennings.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Education Centre Network:

Gardiner Wilson, Director, Public Policy and Research.

Vancouver Port Authority:

Gordon Houston, President and Chief Executive Officer;
Scott Galloway, Director, Trade Development.

Gordon Houston and Gardiner Wilson made statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 19

Monday, April 11, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met by videoconference at 3:42 p.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking and Hon. Marlene Jennings.

Acting Members present: Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Canadian Education Centre Network: Gardiner Wilson, Director, Public Policy and Research. *Vancouver Port Authority:* Gordon Houston, President and Chief Executive Officer; Scott Galloway, Director, Trade Development.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

Gordon Houston and Gardiner Wilson made statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 4:44 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-04-12 5:03 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 20

Monday, April 11, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Marlene Jennings
and Peter Julian.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Crête for Pierre A. Paquette,
and John Duncan for Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Peter Berg, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd.:

Bill H. LeGrow, Vice-President, Transportation & Energy.

Canfor Corporation:

Ken O. Higginbotham, Vice-President, Environment & External Relations.

Weyerhaeuser Company:

Paul Perkins, Vice-President, Policy & Planning.

B.C. Lumber Trade Council:

Keith Mitchell, Legal Counsel.

Ken O. Higginbotham, Bill H. LeGrow and Paul Perkins made statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 20

Monday, April 11, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met by videoconference at 6:30 p.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings and Peter Julian.

Acting Members present: Paul Crête for Pierre A. Paquette and John Duncan for Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Peter Berg, Analyst.

Witnesses: West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd.: Bill H. LeGrow, Vice-President, Transportation & Energy.

Canfor Corporation: Ken O. Higginbotham, Vice-President, Environment & External Relations.

Weyerhaeuser Company: Paul Perkins, Vice-President, Policy & Planning. *B.C. Lumber Trade Council:* Keith Mitchell, Legal Counsel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues - Softwood Lumber.

Ken O. Higginbotham, Bill H. LeGrow and Paul Perkins made statements and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 8:02 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-04-12 5:05 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 21

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian,
Ted Menzies
and Pierre A. Paquette.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Sandwell Engineering Inc.:
Richard A. Fraser, Vice-President, Corporate & Project
Development.

Ballard Power Systems Inc.:

Stephen Kukucha, Director, External Affairs & Government
Business Development.

Westport Innovations Inc.:

Phil Hodge, Vice-President.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 21

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met by videoconference at 3:38 p.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Sandwell Engineering Inc.: Richard A. Fraser, Vice-President, Corporate & Project Development. *Ballard Power Systems Inc.:* Stephen Kukucha, Director, External Affairs & Government Business Development. *Westport Innovations Inc.:* Phil Hodge, Vice-President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:20 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:21 p.m., the sitting resumed in camera.

At 5:34 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-04-13 12:15 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 22

Wednesday, April 13, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Marlene Jennings
and Pierre A. Paquette.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Peter Goldring for Belinda Stronach,
and Brian Jean for Ted Menzies.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Polar Genetics Inc.:

Albert Eringfeld, General Manager.

CPCS Transcom Ltd.:

Peter R. Kieran, President.

ProSoya Inc.:

Rajendra Gupta, President and CEO.

Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers:

David Daly, Manager, Fiscal Policy.

Centre for International Governance Innovation:

Annette Hester, Economist, Special Research Fellow.

Canada-China Society of Science and Technology Industries:

Chi Lin, President.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 22

Wednesday, April 13, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 4:27 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Acting Chair, Hon. Marlene Jennings, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Peter Goldring for Belinda Stronach and Brian Jean for Ted Menzies.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: *Polar Genetics Inc.:* Albert Eringfeld, General Manager. *CPCS Transcom Ltd.:* Peter R. Kieran, President. *ProSoya Inc.:* Rajendra Gupta, President and CEO. *Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers:* David Daly, Manager, Fiscal Policy. *Centre for International Governance Innovation:* Annette Hester, Economist, Special Research Fellow. *Canada-China Society of Science and Technology Industries:* Chi Lin, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 6:29 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-04-14 3:40 p.m.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 23

Monday, April 18, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee [commenced / resumed] its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Ted Menzies
and Pierre A. Paquette.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canadian Association of Importers and Exporters:
Dwayne Wright, Member, Board of Directors.

Retail Council of Canada:
Diane J. Brisebois, President and Chief Executive Officer;
Darrel Pearson, Partner, Gottlieb & Pearson.

Canada China Business Council:
Margaret Cornish, Executive Director.

Canada-India Business Council:
Gary Comerford, Vice President, International and General
Manager - India;
Margaret Vokes, Deputy Executive Director.

Brazil-Canada Chamber of Commerce:
Anthony Eyton, Head, Ottawa Chapter.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 23

Monday, April 18, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:36 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Canadian Association of Importers and Exporters: Dwayne Wright, Member, Board of Directors. *Retail Council of Canada:* Diane J. Brisebois, President and Chief Executive Officer; Darrel Pearson, Partner, Gottlieb & Pearson. *Canada China Business Council:* Margaret Cornish, Executive Director. *Canada-India Business Council:* Gary Comerford, Vice President, International and General Manager - India; Margaret Vokes, Deputy Executive Director. *Brazil-Canada Chamber of Commerce:* Anthony Eyton, Head, Ottawa Chapter.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:39 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-04-21 5:01 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 24

Tuesday, April 19, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee [commenced / resumed] its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian,
Ted Menzies
and Pierre A. Paquette.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:

Peter Berg, Analyst;
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

C.D. Howe Institute:

Danielle Goldfarb, Senior Policy Analyst.

Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters:

Jayson Myers, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist.

Scotiabank:

Patrick Rooney, Senior Vice-President, Trade Finance and
Correspondent Banking.

As an Individual:

David Wheeler, Erivan K. Haub Professor of Business and
Sustainability, Schulich School of Business, York University.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 24

Tuesday, April 19, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: C.D. Howe Institute: Danielle Goldfarb, Senior Policy Analyst. *Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters:* Jayson Myers, Senior Vice-President and Chief Economist. *Scotiabank:* Patrick Rooney, Senior Vice-President, Trade Finance and Correspondent Banking. *As an Individual:* David Wheeler, Erivan K. Haub Professor of Business and Sustainability, Schulich School of Business, York University.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:08 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 5:11 p.m., the sitting resumed in camera.

The Subcommittee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Subcommittee business.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee seek the permission of the House to travel to Vancouver for two (2) days in the fall of 2005 in relation to its study on Softwood Lumber.

At 5:37 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 6:18 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The Subcommittee commenced consideration of a draft report on NAFTA.

It was agreed, — That the Chair present the draft report to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade as its First Report.

At 6:57 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-04-26 4:29 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 25

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Pierre A. Paquette
and Belinda Stronach.

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Brian Jean for Ted Menzies.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Blayne Haggart, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Information Technology Association of Canada:

Bernard A. Courtois, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Canadian Plastics Industry Association:

Serge Lavoie, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada:

Yuen Pau Woo, Vice President and Chief Economist.

Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada:

Karen McBride, Vice-President, International Affairs Branch.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee



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Meeting No. 25

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:41 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Pierre A. Paquette and Belinda Stronach.

Acting Members present: Brian Jean for Ted Menzies.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Information Technology Association of Canada: Bernard A. Courtois, President and Chief Executive Officer. *Canadian Plastics Industry Association:* Serge Lavoie, President and Chief Executive Officer. *Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada:* Yuen Pau Woo, Vice President and Chief Economist. *Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada:* Karen McBride, Vice-President, International Affairs Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:27 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-04-26 4:29 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 26

Monday, May 2, 2005

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee [commenced / resumed] its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Mark Eyking
and Hon. Marlene Jennings.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Johanne Deschamps for Pierre A. Paquette,
Pat Martin for Peter Julian,
and Deepak Obhrai for Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Peter Berg, Analyst;
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Canada Eurasia Russia Business Association:

Piers Cumberlege, Acting Executive Director.

Canadian Auto Workers Union:

Basil "Buzz" Hargrove, National President;

Jim Stanford, Economist, Research Department.

Rights and Democracy:

Jean-Louis Roy, President.

SNC-Lavalin Group Inc.:

Robert G. Blackburn, Senior Vice-President, Government and
International Development Institutions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, May 3, 2005

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis,
Hon. Marlene Jennings,
Peter Julian,
Ted Menzies
and Pierre A. Paquette.

ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:

Deepak Obhrai for Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:
Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

ADI Group Inc.:

Andrew Steeves, Vice-President, Administration Services and
Corporate Planning.

MedMira Inc.:

James Smith, Vice-President, Corporate Affairs;
Giles Crouch, Vice-President, Marketing and Business
Development.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee



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Meeting No. 27

Tuesday, May 3, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met at 3:36 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, Ted Menzies, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Deepak Obhrai for Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: ADI Group Inc.: Andrew Steeves, Vice-President, Administration Services and Corporate Planning. *MedMira Inc.:* James Smith, Vice-President, Corporate Affairs; Giles Crouch, Vice-President, Marketing and Business Development.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 5:12 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-05-10 3:48 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 28

Tuesday, May 10, 2005

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Meeting No. 28

Tuesday, May 10, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:31 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Brian Jean for Belinda Stronach and Deepak Obhrai for Ted Menzies.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Blayne Haggart, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

It was agreed, — That the consideration of a draft report on Emerging Market Trade Strategy be stood until Tuesday, May 17, 2005.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Subcommittee on November 2, 2004, the Subcommittee resumed its study of the Canada-U.S. Trade Issues.

It was agreed, — That the draft report on Canada-U.S. Trade Issues be presented to the Standing Committee at the earliest date as the Subcommittee's First Report.

At 4:21 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-05-11 8:28 a.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 29

Tuesday, May 17, 2005

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Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs
International Trade met *in camera* at 3:31 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Chair, John Cannis,
ding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted
zies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Members present: Deepak Obhrai for Belinda Stronach.

Attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

uant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

Subcommittee commenced consideration of a draft report.

24 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 30

Tuesday, May 31, 2005

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee undertook an assessment of the status of chrysotile under the Rotterdam Convention

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRESENT:

John Cannis
Hon. Marlene Jennings
Peter Julian
Ted Menzies
Pierre A. Paquette.

ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

André Bellavance for Pierre A. Paquette
Marc Boulianne for Pierre A. Paquette
Deepak Obhrai for Hon. Belinda Stronach.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Library of Parliament:

Peter Berg, Analyst

Michael Holden, Analyst.

WITNESSES:

Mouvement ProChrysotile:

Pierre Laroche, Technical Advisor

Raynald Paré, President.

Raynald Paré made a statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

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Meeting No. 30

Tuesday, May 31, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met by teleconference at 3:36 p.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: André Bellavance for Pierre A. Paquette, Marc Boulianne for Pierre A. Paquette and Deepak Obhrai for Hon. Belinda Stronach.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Witnesses: Mouvement ProChrysotile: Pierre Laroche, Technical Advisor; Raynald Paré, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee undertook an assessment of the status of chrysotile under the Rotterdam Convention.

Raynald Paré made a statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

At 4:36 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:45 p.m., the sitting resumed in camera.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The Subcommittee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 5:42 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-06-01 12:16 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

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Tuesday, June 7, 2005

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Meeting No. 31

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:39 p.m. this day, in Room 208 West Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Mark Eyking, Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Deepak Obhrai for Helena Guergis.

Other Members present: Marc Boulianne.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

It was agreed, — That the research staff prepare a draft report based on the motions tabled relating to chrysotile.

The Subcommittee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 5:24 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 6:49 p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 7:13 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-06-09 1:15 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

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Meeting No. 32

Tuesday, June 14, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:38 p.m. this day, in Room 112-N Centre Block, the Vice-Chair, Ted Menzies, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: Hon. Mark Eyking, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Deepak Obhrai for Helena Guergis.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Peter Berg, Analyst; Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee undertook an assessment of the status of chrysotile under the Rotterdam Convention.

The Subcommittee commenced consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed, — That the draft report relating to Chrysotile be presented to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs as the Second Report of the Subcommittee.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The Subcommittee resumed consideration of a draft report.

At 5:46 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-06-27 4:16 p.m.

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Chair: John Cannis, Lib.

Meeting No. 33

Thursday, June 16, 2005

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 33

Thursday, June 16, 2005

The Subcommittee on International Trade, Trade Disputes and Investment of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met *in camera* at 3:43 p.m. this day, in Room 208 West Block, the Chair, John Cannis, presiding.

Members of the Subcommittee present: John Cannis, Hon. Mark Eyking, Hon. Marlene Jennings, Peter Julian, Ted Menzies and Pierre A. Paquette.

Acting Members present: Deepak Obhrai for Helena Guergis.

In attendance: Library of Parliament: Michael Holden, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Subcommittee resumed its study on Emerging Market Trade Strategy.

The Subcommittee resumed consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed, — That the draft report be presented to the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade as the third report of the Subcommittee.

At 4:29 p.m., the Subcommittee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski
Clerk of the Subcommittee

2005-06-16 5:19 p.m.

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